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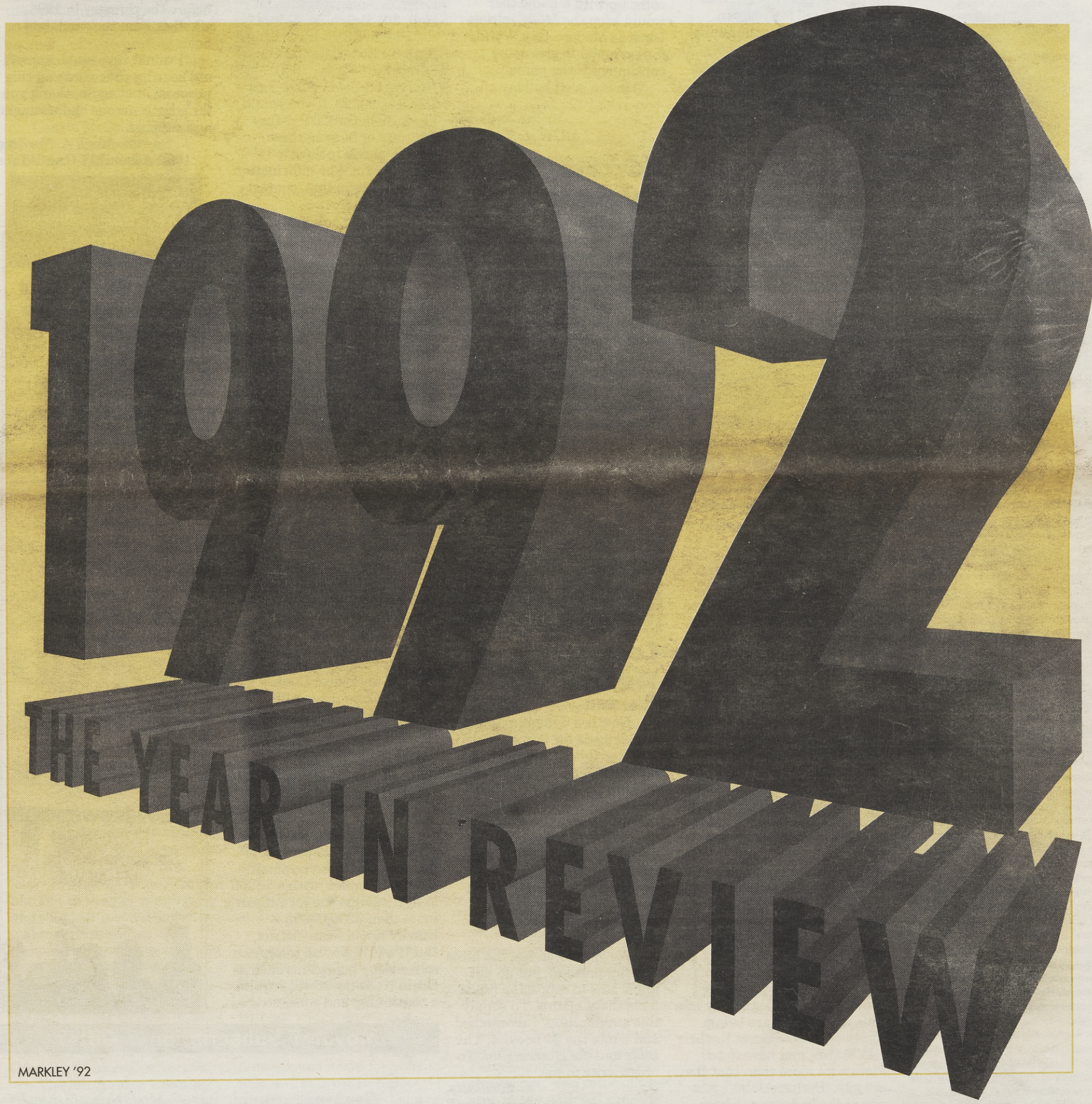

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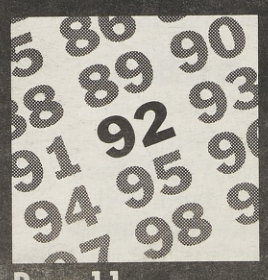

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Condemning news director

Dear Editor:

Sacramento's News & Review deserves to be commended for it's November 25 editorial condemnation of homophobic remarks made by local television commentator Bob Cook on November 14 regarding President-elect Bill Clinton's commitment to lift the ban on gays and lesbians in the military.

Bob's commentary is perplexing when considered in the light of information that has circulated for years in Sacramento's gay community indicating that he is "family." If he wishes to remain "closeted," that is his prerogative; however, he should refrain from using homophobic diatribe as a ruse to conceal his sexual identity.

Please make known our community's sentiments by joining with the *Sacramento News & Review* in condemning Bob Cook's homophobic comments.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas Weaver

Ho Ho Ho!

Dear MGW:

May peace, hope and love be with you today, tomorrow and always.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. Keep up the great job! Glad to be part of your team.

Richard Barajas & Dennis Roney

The name should stay

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in response to John Lockhart's letter in the last issue suggesting *Mom Guess What* change its name because he believes telling parents of one's sexual persuasion is no longer a key issue facing gay people in the 1990s. John also takes equal space to suggest the name is "ageist" (that it discriminates against older gays and lesbians) and that there should be a comma after the word "Mom" and a question mark after the word "What."

John's understanding of the difference between a question and a declarative sentence is as flawed as his perception that coming out is no longer a critical factor in the lives of gay men and women of all ages. He couldn't be more wrong about its impact, especially in a time when many are being forced out of the closet by their HIV status, and have to tell Mom a lot more than that they are gay. Perhaps John's just one of the lucky ones whose personal situation allows him to focus on issues other than coming out to his parents. But for many in this city, the name of the paper couldn't be more perfect. For 15 years, it's offered encouragement and let people know they're not alone. Hopefully it will be there for the next 15 to provide this same invaluable, magical support to new readers.

Sheryl Covington

Name change?

Dear Editor:

In the December 15th edition of *MGW,* someone wrote a letter suggesting that the name of the paper be changed. I heartily agree!! The present name suggests an amateur endeavor. I often feel slightly embarrassed when someone asks what paper I write for, and have to explain the name. As long as you are planning on revamping the paper, I strongly suggest that a name change should be part of the revision. Perhaps you could come up with a name that would keep the *MGW* initials (such as Modern Gay World, for example) to give some continuity to the name.

Have a good holiday.

Wayne Anderson
MGW staff reporter

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Colorado: War on gays

Dear Editor:

Now is a dynamic time in our struggle for human rights. The Republican platform has declared war on gays while the votes in Oregon and Colorado have defined what is acceptable in denying rights. Meanwhile, the president-elect's work to accept gays in the military has the conservative wing buzzing.

At the root of the drive against our rights is the fundamentalists' use of the bible.

We gays often feel the bible is being misused, but do not know how to refute the fundamentalists' claims. To supply this ammunition, I researched and wrote the $4 booklet, The *Bible and the Homosexual*. To order write to me.

Cordially,
Dean Merrill
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Prevent babies

Dear MOM:

If gay men are using condoms to prevent AIDS then heterosexuals can damn well use condoms to prevent babies. Or do something else!

Glenn Rice

Let's celebrate!

Dear Editor:

I am truly honored that the people of California have chosen me to represent them in the United States Senate. Without your help, this wouldn't have been possible.

Now it's time to celebrate. I hope you will be able to join me and State Party Chairman Phil Angelides at one of the upcoming receptions that the California Democratic Party is hosting to celebrate my swearing in: San Francisco, January 9th, Bay Area Longshoremen's Memorial Hall, 301 Beach St., 1-3pm.

Please RSVP by writing Barbara Boxer, California Democratic Party, 7060 Hollywood Blvd., #601, Los Angeles, 90028. If you would like to help the CDP defray the costs of hosting these events, please include a contribution. For information about the reception, contact (415) 771-9480.

Enjoy the holiday season. I look forward to seeing you in January.

Warm regards,
Barbara Boxer

Thank you

Dear Editor:

Running for political office had never been within the scope of possibilities (or desires) for me, so when it became what I saw as a civic duty, I was elated to receive the support of organizations such as yours without even asking. Your endorsement was of extreme value and I appreciate it more than I can say.

While I may have lost what many considered a futile race, we gained a lot of friends and sparked new interest in the party that fostered new clubs, opened headquarters, rejuvenated diehards and attracted scores of new volunteers. Placer County Central Committee will maintain its presence from a desk and phone and the 5th A.D. will retain an office available to all their clubs. That speaks well for the revival of Democratic vitality in this district.

Thanks to their efforts and yours, I reaped 35 percent of the vote. That was no small accomplishment with a $6300 budget against the incumbent's more than $200,000 in a heavily Republican district. But if we truly wish to replace self-serving politicians such as David Knowles, it will require a continuing and concentrated effort by everyone concerned to keep the public informed as to the negative impact of the legislation he proposes.

If there are people who are knowledgeable in campaign strategies, and who would be willing to volunteer time and effort toward the election of one who supports our mutual goals. I believe that, with their help and inclusion, now is the time to begin developing a campaign organization. This would allow more time for the impact of these endorsements to be realized. Therefore you can expect to hear from us well before the primary in 1994, whether I am the candidate or not.

I would very much appreciate hearing your views on this proposal, and again, thank you for your generous endorsement and support.

Mark A. Norberg
1992 Assembly Candidate

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UNDER THE DOME

News commentary raises hackles

by Aaron Marcus
MGW Staff

A November 11th commentary by Channel 40 News Director Bob Cook has generated a small controversy among some gay and lesbian activists in Sacramento. The 59-second commentary carried as a normal part of that station's evening news was what Cook says, a "tongue in cheek" slap at the military's ban against the homosexuals.

In that commentary, Cook said that he understood the military's objection to gays in the military, citing the lack of style in the Navy uniforms, the necessity of redecorating the Navy to eliminate "battleship grey" and the risks of "releasing gay seamen (sic) into San Francisco."

Laurie McBride, Executive director of the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality, fired off a letter to Cook November 15th, saying his commentary indicated "a disturbing ignorance both of the lesbian/gay community,, and of AIDS."

In a video recording of the commentary, Cook can be seen rolling his eyes, winking at the camera, and even once, wincing as he spoke. Such antics failed to convince some observers, including Radio Station KFBK's (AM 1530) Christine Craft, who offered Cook the "bonehead of the week" award for his commentary.

Cook, who was essentially "outed" over 12 years ago after losing his job as Deputy Press Secretary to then-California Attorney General George Deukmejian, is amazed at the controversy created by his editorial. "I was trying to make a point," he said, "about how silly the military ban against homosexuals is.

MGW/File photo

Bob Cook, Channel 40 News Director, at a recent Wellspring Center fundraiser.

"You cannot look back ..." he continued, "and consider what I've said in the past ... and not have taken it (the commentary) in jest ... people know where I stand. Do they think I suddenly took a 180 degree turn? That's absurd."

Cook has gone on the record in previous commentaries as being opposed to the military ban against gays and lesbians and he has spoken in favor employment protections such as AB 2601, the anti-discrimination bill signed by Gov. Pete Wilson in late September. Though he feels he has a good record on the issues, the reaction to this commentary has worried him.

"I'm not a spokesman for the gay community, that's not my job. I'm a news director and I have to call my shots as I see them from this office. Some of the letters have been threatening to 'out' me just because of this commentary, but that was done 12 years ago, so what's the big deal?"

Cook has been at Channel 40 since 1980. He took the reins as news director in 1987.

... "So what's the big deal?"

The text of his commentary follows:

"I can certainly understand why the Navy is refusing to allow gays to wear the uniform of their country. So many problems would arise. Let's look at this from the Navy's point of view: Imagine, for example, the redecorating the Navy would have to undertake. All that 'battleship grey' would simply have to go, it doesn't match anything. And there's nothing stylish about those Navy uniforms.

"And of course there's the issue of AIDS. There's no question that the deadly disease has been spreading through America's gay community for the past ten years or so. Allowing homosexuals into barracks, on bases and serving on board U-S Navy ships could create a serious health threat.

"It really comes down to one basic medical fact, and that is the primary way AIDS is spread from one individual to another. We all know how this disease is spread.

"Imagine a fleet of ships arriving in the bay area and releasing gay seaman into San Francisco. The mind boggles. And those are the 'straight' facts."▼

Clinton says victory "would not have been possible" without gay, lesbian support

To the wild applause of gay, lesbian and bisexual activists from around the country, Bill Clinton, in a letter of support, acknowledged his debt to the gay community and thanked gay voters for making his presidential campaign victory possible. The surprise Clinton letter was read by former National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) chief Urvashi Vaid at the opening of the 1992 NGLTF Policy Institute Creating Change Conference.

The 5th Annual Creating Change Conference was held in Los Angeles, November 13-15. More than 1,200 activists from at least 43 states and five countries attended some 100 workshops, plenary sessions and networking meetings. Creating Change is the only national skills-building conference for gay activists.

"To my friends at the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force," said Clinton in his letter. "I would like to welcome you all to the NGLTF Policy Institute Conference. Hilary and I would like to thank you all for the hard work you have done for the advancement of human rights for gay and lesbian people everywhere. It is an inspiration to us all.

"I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone of you for your tremendous support during our campaign for change — without your support our victory on November 3rd would not have been possible. I now ask you again for your help and support in implementing the changes that are needed to get America moving forward once more. Thank you. Sincerely, Bill Clinton."

NGLTF honored six gay/lesbian organizations and individuals at Creating Change for their work in advocating civil rights and gay visibility. Receiving the 1992 NGLTF Policy Institute Creating Change Award were the United Lesbians of African Heritage for increasing the strength and visibility of African-American lesbians; the Equal Protection Campaign, for advocating justice for lesbians and gay men in Colorado; No On 9, for defending civil rights for gay people in Oregon; Philip Rubin, for directing the first community center for deaf lesbians and gay men; the National Latina/o Lesbian & Gay Organization, for its work on behalf of the latino/a gay community; and Dee Mosbacher, for her courage in challenging the Republican Party's homophobic tactics. Mosbacher, who came out last year in the national press, is the daughter of GOP fundraiser and Bush/Quayle campaign head Robert Mosbacher.

Next year's conference will be held in November in the Washington, D.C. area. For information: Ivy Young, NGLTF Creating Change Coordinator, 1734 14th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, (202) 332-6483.▼

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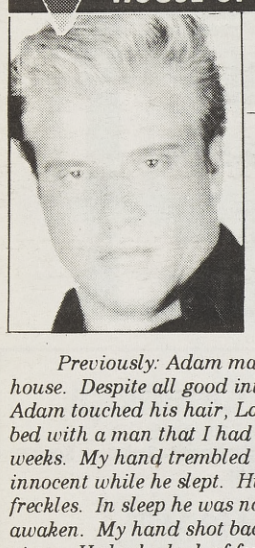

Chapter Four

This is the story of Adam ...

Previously: Adam managed to bring Larry, the object of his obsession, to his house. Despite all good intentions he could not resist at least one touch. As Adam touched his hair, Larry awoke. What was I doing here? I was lying in bed with a man that I had been fantasizing about continually for the last three weeks. My hand trembled as I delicately stroked his soft hair. He was so innocent while he slept. His young skin was smooth, and dappled with light freckles. In sleep he was no rugged villain, but a man that I loved. He began to awaken. My hand shot back to my side. — Larry looked around the room, then at me. He had a look of fear in his eyes. Fear shot through me. He must have felt me touching him. I was certain he was sickened by my actions. He spoke.

"Where am I?" he said groggily. I breathed a sigh of relief. It was normal for a person to look shocked when waking in a foreign place. Larry inquired as to why I was sitting up and facing him. I made up a story about how he was snoring, and I was plugging his nose in an attempt to stop him. He sincerely apologized, rolled to his side and fell back to sleep.

I knew I had better leave the bed. The temptation was too great, the danger was immense. I rose from the bed and walked to the sliding glass door across the room. I looked out into the darkness then turned to see the clock, 3:24 am. The bed called me back, but the cold night's beckoning was stronger.

I opened the sliding glass door and let the cold air flood in. That smell, it brought back a rush of memories of growing up on my parents little farm. I went outside and wandered through the back pasture. The ground was moist under my bare feet. That smell, I never could place it. I knew that part of it was dew on the grass, but there was something else that I had never smelled anywhere else. It was a mixture of a sweet scent, and a burnt smell.

I found myself at an old tree that had a rope swing. The rope swing was not unlike the one that Luke Skywalker used to swing Princess Leia to safety from the dreaded Imperial Storm troopers. My friends and I spent many days after school sword fighting and swinging to safety. I remembered a picture my friend Bobby showed me in a "Heavy Metal" magazine. It was a detailed drawing of Princess Leia naked. My friends would crowd around the book to get a glimpse of the woman's breasts.

Even at age nine I was wishing that I could see a picture of Luke in the nude. Perhaps I was gay. What would that mean? What would my dad say? Would my mother blame herself. Would Bobby and the guys hate me? The questions flooded my mind rapidly.

I began to feel resentful. It seemed so unfair that I had to deal with these problems alone. I wished God, or whoever it was, would tell me what was right and wrong. Perhaps he was and I wasn't listening. Perhaps I couldn't hear God because I was listening to the Devil tempt me with desire for a man.

That was the completion of the betrayal. How could a God, that is all those things the preacher said, let such a small and fragile child be so tempted by such a powerfully vindictive creature as Satan.

Despite being a teenager I was still a defenseless child. In addition, I had had these feelings since before I even knew they were bad. That was an unfair fight. I had no doubt that I was born this way.

Thoughts of reincarnation and having been formerly a woman made more sense than all the scriptures. I began to realize that it was likely that the God described to me did not exist. Perhaps there was a really God and all Christians had confused his teachings. Perhaps he that God did not condemn me. I hoped so. That was the God I needed for my life now. It would be the only way I could survive.

The deep pain was not alleviated by any God at that point. I was in love with a man who would surely hate me for it. I was certain no greater quandary ever befell a person.

The more I thought of Larry's beautiful sleeping face the more I realized I would likely love him forever. I began to cry.

I went under the old oak tree that had once comforted me until I fell asleep. I was roused by a hand on my shoulder. I opened my eyes to see Larry in front of me. He was wearing a white V neck shirt. It had laces in the front and baggy sleeves like a prince would wear in a fairy tale. Where did he get that shirt? I hadn't seen it before. I began to speak, but he silenced me gently with a single fingercrossing my lips. He then moved the hand behind my neck, and drew me to him. Our lips pressed together in a passionate kiss. I began to melt beneath him. The passion was intoxicating

I heard my name being called from beside me and turned to see who was calling me...

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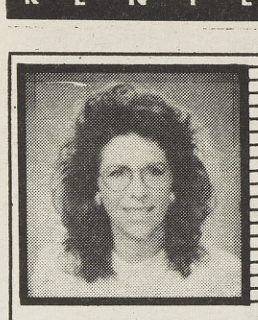

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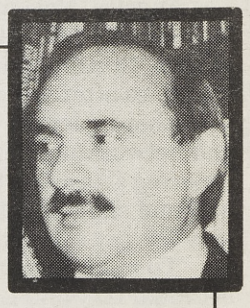

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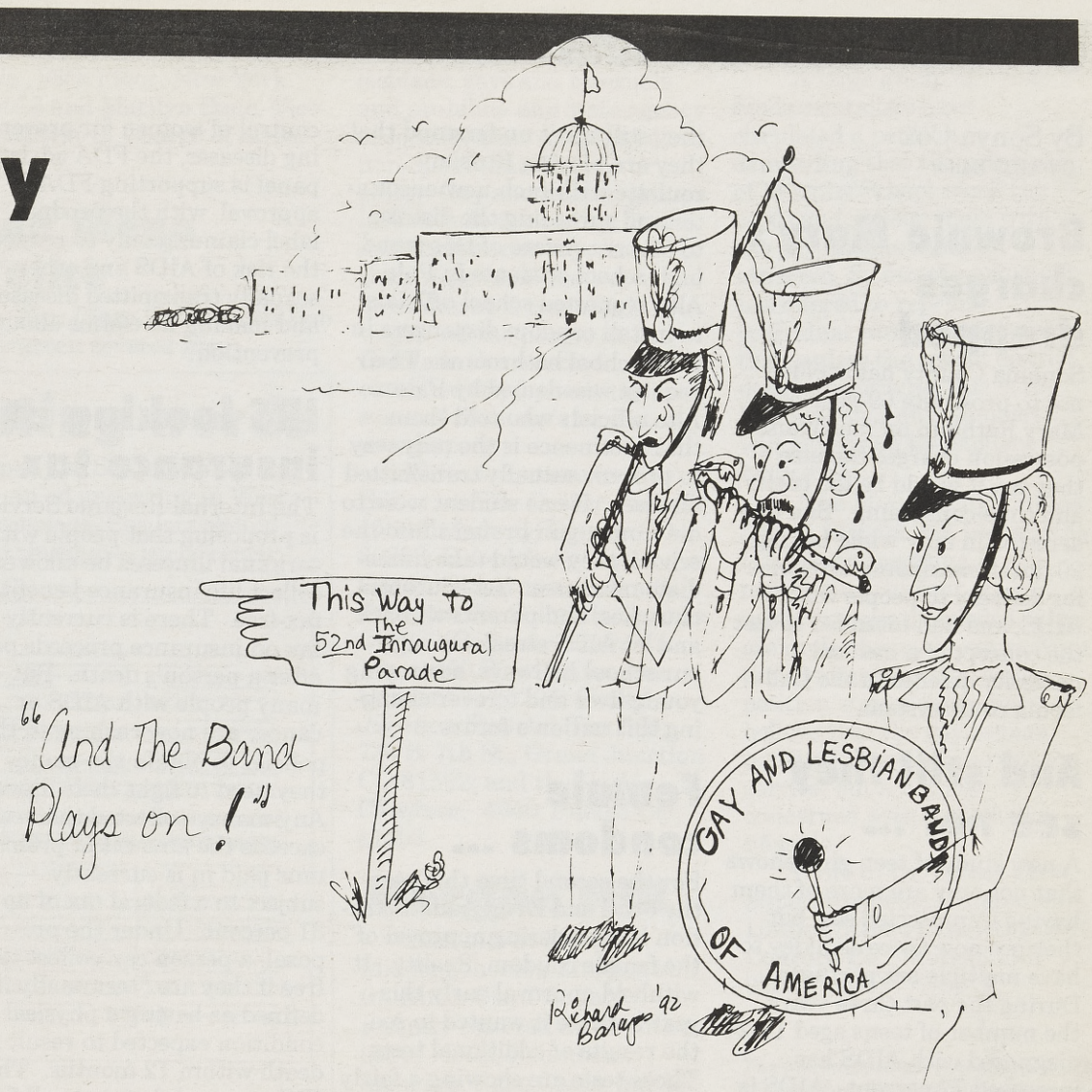

The anti-gay/lesbian policy:

The Department of Defense Directive 1332.14 section H.1 states, "Homosexuality is incompatible with military service. The presence in the military environment of persons who engage in homosexual conduct or who, by their statements, demonstrate a propensity to engage in homosexual conduct ... seriously impairs the accomplishment of the military mission. The presence of such members adversely affects the ability of the Armed Forces to maintain discipline, good order, and morale; to foster mutual trust and confidence among service members; to ensure the integrity of the system of rank and command; to facilitate assignment and worldwide deployment of service members who frequently must live and work under close conditions affording minimal privacy; to recruit and retain members of the armed forces; to maintain the public accept ability of military service; and to prevent breaches of security. Homosexual acts are crimes under the Uniform Code of Military Justice." As a result, military personnel found to be homosexual or suspected of homosexuality are dismissed or discharged from their posts. The DoD directive has been in effect since 1943.

The cost of policy:

The military discharged more than 1,000 service members in 1990 at a cost of $27 million to train and discharge the gay and lesbian service members and retrain replacements. ("Defense Force Management: DoD's Policy on Homosexuality," Government Account Office, June 1992).

The military dismissed 16,919 service members between 1980 and 1990 for homosexuality, at a cost of $493,195,968 to replace them; 16,750 were enlisted personnel (99 percent) and 169 were officers (one percent). Officers are usually allowed to resign. (GAO report, June 1992)

The "rationale" for the policy:

"Scientific and military studies disagree with the military's long-standing policy that homosexuality is incompatible with military service." (GAO report, June 1992)

Three separate Pentagon studies conducted between 1957 and 1991 have discredited the rationale behind the policy.

The rationale for the anti-gay policy is similar to that used in the 1941 Navy memo on African-American service members: "The close and intimate conditions of life aboard ship, the necessity for the highest possible degree of unity and esprit-de-corps; the requirement of morale — all these demand that nothing be done which may adversely affect the situation. Past experience has shown irrefutably that the enlistment of Negroes (other than for mess attendants) leads to the disruptive and undermining conditions. It should be pointed out in this connection that one of the principal objectives of subversive agents in this country in attempting to breakdown existing efficient organization is by demanding participation for 'minorities' in all aspects of defense ..."

Pending legislation to end the ban:

Two resolutions are pending in the House and Senate that would call on the President of the U.S. to rescind the DoD directive. As of August 6, H. Res. 271 and S. Res. 236 have 70 and 8 co-sponsors, respectively.

U.S. Rep. Patricia Shroeder (D-CO) introduced legislation in May that would expressly prohibit discrimination by the Armed Forces on the basis of sexual orientation. As of August 6, the Military Freedom Act (H.R. 5208) has 72 co-sponsors. The Senate companion bill, S. 3084, introduced by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D-OH) has 8 co-sponsors.

Opposition to the ban:

"Do homosexual personnel, male and female, threaten the effectiveness of the armed forces? Or is it shortsighted prejudice for the military services to ban homosexuals and to discharge those discovered in its ranks? ... The ban deprives the armed forces of talent and the discharges damage thousands of careers and lives. All for a policy with not a shred of hard evidence to support it ... The military and its civilian overseers need to reexamine the case: there's no evident justification for discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation." (*The New York Times editorial*, "Gay Solders, Good Soldiers," September 1, 1991).

Other editorials condemning the ban: *USA Today*, "Mind Your Own Business," August 8, 1991; *The Washington Post*, "Revisiting the Ban on Gays," August 8, 1991; *The New York Daily New*, "An Army for All," August 7, 1991; *The Miami Herald*, "Retreat on Homosexual Ban," August 15, 1991; *The San Francisco Examiner*, "Cheney Backs Pentagon Aide," August 6, 1991; *The New Republic*, November 4,1991.

"It's a policy that I inherited as secretary. There have been times in the past when it has been generated on the notion that somehow there was a security risk involved — although I must say that's a bit of an old chestnut." (Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney in August 1991 before a U.S. House of Representatives committee)

The percentage of Americans who believe that homosexuals should be allowed in the armed forces has increased steadily since 1977 to 1989, from 51 to 60 percent. (Gallup polls).

An 81 percent majority of Americans say that homosexuals should not be discharged from military solely because of their orientation. (Penn and Schoen Associates, 1991) ▼

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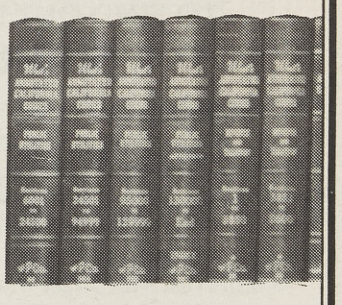

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By Sonya Cox
HIV/AIDS Editor

Brownie Mary's charges dropped

Sonoma County has decided not to prosecute 69-year-old Mary Rathbun on marijuana possession charges because they say it would be too costly and time-consuming. She was arrested in July while baking 20 dozen marijuana brownies for delivery to people with AIDS, and had intended to test the concept of a medical necessity defense in the California court system.

And still they see not ...

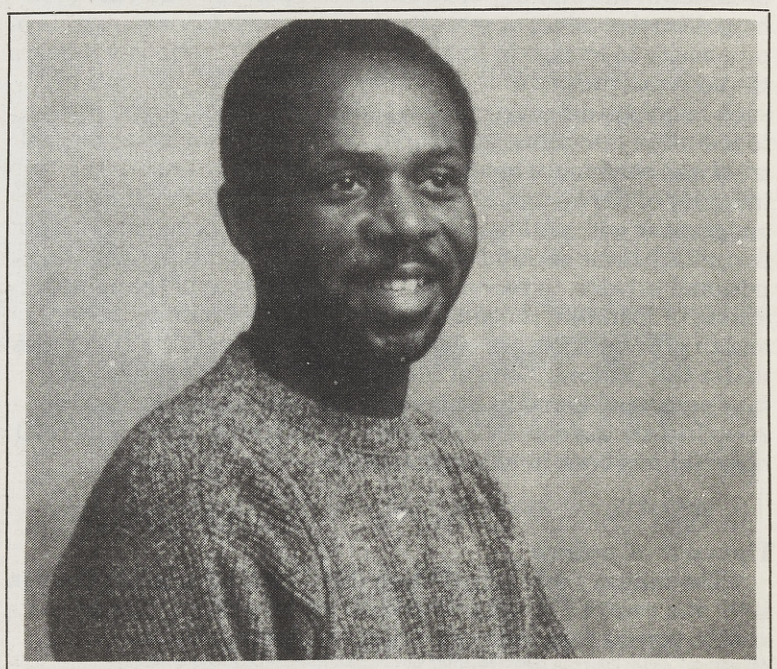
A new study of teen girls shows that not only are more of them having unprotected sex, but they are now twice as likley to have multiple sex partners. During the past three years, the number of teens aged 13-24 diagnosed with AIDS has increased 77 percent. AIDS is now the sixth leading cause of death among teens aged 15-24, and yet only 1 out of 5 girls said their partners use a condom. Their awareness does not increase as they get older: they still don't understand that they are playing Russian roulette with each new encounter and spreading the disease to others. Aware of this trend, high school students in Palo Alto requested school officials to install condom dispensers in their school bathrooms. Their request was denied by Palo Alto officials who told them that abstinence is the only way to prevent sexually transmitted diseases. If one student were to die from a gun brought into the school, they would take immediate measures. Yet educators, churches, and parents sit back and let AIDS streak through our school hallways, destroying young lives and forever changing this nation's future.

Female condoms ...

For the second time this year the Food and Drug Administration is considering approval of the female condom, Reality. It withheld approval early this year because it wanted to see the results of additional tests. Those tests are showing a fairly high failure rate (between 12 and 25 percent of users, they estimate, can expect to get pregnant the first year). However, since it's currently the only method under the control of women for preventing diseases, the FDA advisory panel is supporting FDA approval, with the product label claiming only to reduce the risk of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, and making no claims about prevention.

IRS looking at insurance tax

The Internal Revenue Service is proposing that people with terminal illnesses be allowed to collect life insurance benefits tax-free. There is currently no tax on insurance proceeds paid after a person's death. But many people with AIDS or cancer are now cashing in their policies to obtain the money they need to fight their illness. Any money collected that exceeds the amount of premiums paid in is currently subject to a federal tax of up to 31 percent. Under the proposal, a person can collect tax-free if they are "terminally ill," defined as having a physical condition expected to result in death within 12 months. The IRS proposal does not call for a physician's certification of illness, and the agency said it may issue guidelines creating a presumption of terminal illness for certain conditions. It contains no restrictions on how the money must be used, and no guidelines about what to do when the person lives more than the 12 months. Members of Congress, insurance companies, and groups serving people with AIDS say they welcome the proposed change, which will allow people to make use of their insurance benefits when they need them the most. About 150 of the nation's 2,000 life insurance companies now offer policies that allow for payment of "living benefits" or "accelerated death benefits" to people with terminal illness. With the proposed IRS ruling, many more companies may offer these benefits. They still don't understand that they are playing Russian roulette with each new encounter.▼



Bryson House dedicated

Bryson House is named in memory of Leroy Bryson who succumbed to AIDS complications in October of 1992. Bryson House is the first of three housing facilities for HIV+ people and people with AIDS that Corban plans to open in Sacramento. The other two are a medium sized house downtown and proposed 121 bed facility for assisted living that would open in the spring of 1993.▼

Gone, but not Forgotten ...

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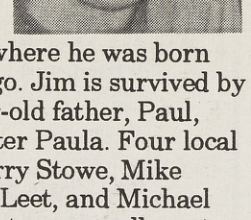
FAREWELL...

James M. Graham

Jim died peacefully on December 6 after a yearlong decline with AIDS. His ashes will rest alongside those of his mother, Marion, in Cameron, Missouri, where he was born 42 years ago. Jim is survived by his 83-year-old father, Paul, and his sister Paula. Four local friends, Jerry Stowe, Mike Kelly, Bob Leet, and Michael O'Neill got to say goodbye at the San Francisco V.A. Hospital two days before he died.



Jim will be missed in Sacramento where he made many friends during the12 years he was here. Jim was a past member of the Sacramento Men's Chorus, SAGA Sports Bowling League. After working in office jobs and as a state employee, Jim spent the past few years providing home health care for others. He also leaves behind good friend Toby from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Jim was close to his family, spending time with them in Missouri and touring Europe for 3 weeks with his parents while he was stationed in Germany with the Air Force.

A memorial service was held in the side chapel at St. Francis Church on December 16 with Brother Ponchie presiding. Friends are asked to donate to the charity of their choice in Jim's honor.

Jim, we enjoyed your friendship! Be at peace dear brother.▼

Michael J. Patterson

Michael J. Patterson passed away on December 14, 1992 in San Francisco. Michael was the Art Director at *the Latest issue*, and served as a graphic artist for *MGW* in 1986.

Michael is survived by his parents, Byron and Ellen, sister Susan, brother Dan, and many loving friends.

A memorial for Michael was held December 19 at the Metropolitan Community Church. Donations were requested for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation.▼

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by Hollie Conley
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Oprah/Montel It just is ...

The November 19 Oprah featured lesbians and gays with parents from whom they were alienated. The discussion was civil and informative, and though one audience member expressed strong homophobic feelings, Oprah kept the discussion firmly focused on overcoming homophobia. At one point she told one of the parents who had said she was "opposed" to homosexuality: "It's not like you can be opposed to it or not opposed to it — it just is."

Send comments to Oprah or to Debra Di Maio, Executive Producer, The Oprah Winfrey Show, Box 909715, Chicago, IL 60609.

The November 5 Montel Williams Show brought together lesbian and gay young people with members of "Straight Kids USA." a self-appointed "heterosexual support group" for children and adolescents. The groups brings together youngsters to "vent their anger" about gays and lesbians and to "revel in the natural heterosexual state in which they were created and born." The three gay teenagers on the panel were generally able to hold their own against an ugly onslaught of insults and homophobia, but much of the show was a shouting match about whether or not you are a pervert. Direct comments to: "The Montel Williams Show," 7800 Beverly Blvd., Suite 231, Los Angeles 90036.

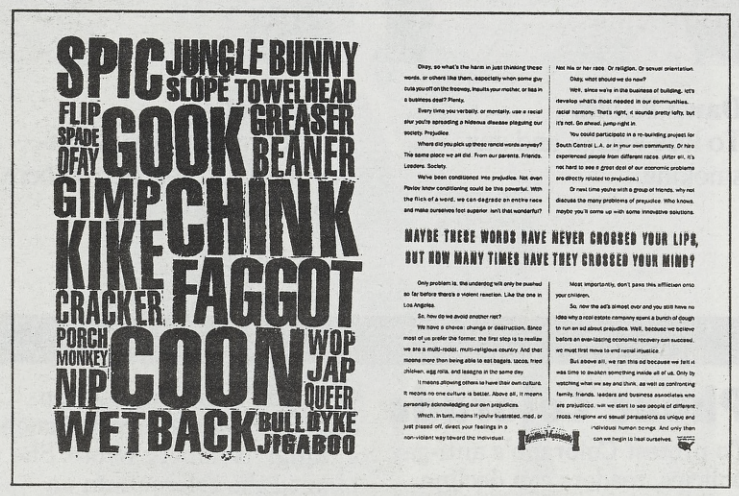
Star Trek

After five years in syndication, the popularity of Star Trek: The Next Generation, shows no signs of diminishing. Changes are in the making, however. With actor contracts already into an added sixth year to their five year contracts, a spinoff, "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine," is being prepared for syndication sometime in January '93 by Paramount and executive producers Rick Berman and Michael Piller.

Will there be the introduction of gay/lesbian characters or story lines? It has been quite some time (March '92) since "The Next Generation" even touched on homosexual inclusiveness, despite past promises. Comments to: Rick Berman and Michael Piller, Executive Producers, Paramount Domestic TV, 5555 Melrose Ave., Hollywood 90038.

These are fighting words

A commercial real estate company in Santa Monica is running a bunch of racial slurs in an ad appearing in West Coast business publications. The message: Readers should think twice before speaking — or thinking — such "rancid words."



The ad for Epsteen & Associates, via Kelban Advertising, Los Angeles, contends words that degrade another's race religion or sexual orientation are destructive to society.

The ad says a lasting economic recovery can't occur without a "move to end racial injustice" and says racial slurs contributed to last spring's riots in Los Angeles.

The message reflects company principal Michael Epsteen's penchant for using advertising to address issues such as greed and individual values.

Advertising Age, September 14, 1992

Maidenform

Continuing the trend toward recognizing lesbian and gay Americans as important consumers were pre-election TV ads from Maidenform. In the ads, models were shown wearing various social and political buttons.

Clothed women appeared in rapid succession on the screen portraying the racial, ethnic and age diversity of American women. Buttons shown were the expected political ones (Bush, Clinton, Perot); the names of various women senatorial candidates (Boxer, Yeakel, Braun, Feinstein); and the various social issues such as "I Believe Anita," "Murphy," "Fight Racism," "Pro Life," and "Pro Choice." Also included was a woman wearing a pink triangle, the symbol of lesbian and gay liberation.

At the end of the commercial, a voice-over recommends, "If you have something to say, now is the chance to get it off your chest." The Maidenform name then appears on the screen. To show your support for inclusive advertising, contact: Robert Brawer, President, and Elizabeth Coleman, Chairperson, Maidenform, Inc., 90 Park Ave., 38th Floor, New York 10016 and Marilyn Bane, Vice-President in Charge of Advertising.

San Diego Police

San Diego Police Chief Bob Burgreen severed his department's ties to the Boy Scouts of America last month because the organization discriminates against homosexuals. Burgreen said he ordered police officials to return a charter to operate a police Explorer post for the Boy Scouts after it was learned that local BSA officials had suspended El Cajon Police Officer Chuck Merino as an advisor to the Explorer Post after Merino acknowledged that he is gay. The San Diego Police Explorer Post has been a part of the department for more than 25 years.

Please voice your support for a courageous action to Chief Bob Burgreen, San Diego Police Dept., 1401 Broadway, San Diego, 92101.
such obvious headings as "Arts," "Civil Rights," "Defense," "Families" or "Women." Send your comments to Peter Honey, c/o The Baltimore Evening Sun, 5501 N. Calvert St., Box 1377, Baltimore, MD 21278.

Colorado Follow-up

Colorado voters recently approved an amendment to the state's constitution which explicitly legalizes discrimination against lesbians, gays and bisexuals and prohibits any state agency or locality from adopting a non-discrimination law or policy. Gay and lesbian groups in Colorado are calling for a national tourist boycott of their state until the amendment is rescinded. You might tell the people of Colorado the reason for your cancelled trip by writing to some of the state's largest newspapers.

Write to Letters to the Editor at: *The Denver Post,* 1560 Broadway, Denver CO 80202; *Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph,* 30 South Prospect St., Colorado Springs CO 80903; *Rocky Mountain News,* 400 West Colfax Ave., Denver CO 80204; *Grand Junction Sentinel,* Box 668, 734 S. 7th St., Grand Junction CO 81502; and the *Pueblo Chieftain,* 4040, Pueblo CO 81003.

Morgan Hill

Students at Murphy Middle School in Morgan Hill (in Santa Clara County) recently received cards with a list of Hotline numbers, including Rape Crisis, Suicide Prevention and Alcoholics Anonymous. This year, for the first time, the number for the Billy DeFrank Lesbian and Gay Community Center in San Jose was included. Switchboard staff at the DeFrank Center are trained to do crisis intervention as well as give referrals to professional counselors and support services.

A large group of fundamentalists have circulated a petition demanding that the principal of Murphy School recall the cards and reissue them with the gay hotline number censored. So far, the principal has offered to reprint individual cards, but has said that, unless the school district decides otherwise, this is the last year that any numbers will appear on the student body cards.

The Morgan Hill Unified School District will be deciding this issue something in the near future, so your your input is urgently needed. They are under heavy pressure from the fundamentalists, whose petition states "we do not believe that the gay/lesbian hotline is a crisis intervention service, but a hotline concerned with a particular lifestyle."

Write to Dr. James Crow, Superintendent, Morgan Hill Unified School District, 15600 Concord Cir., Morgan Hill 95037, (408) 779-5272.

The only way to cure homophobia is to confront it! Notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, of all defamations, and if possible supply us with documentation. Office: (415) 861-4588; South Bay Hotline (408) 235-0229; East Bay Hotline (510) 273-9146; fax (415) 861-4893. Mailing address: GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro St., Suite B, S.F. 94114.▼

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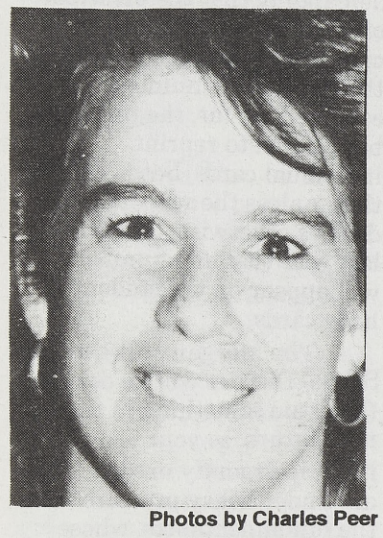

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Lori Stit
To dance when I come to the country/western dance and not just watch.

Steve Rangel
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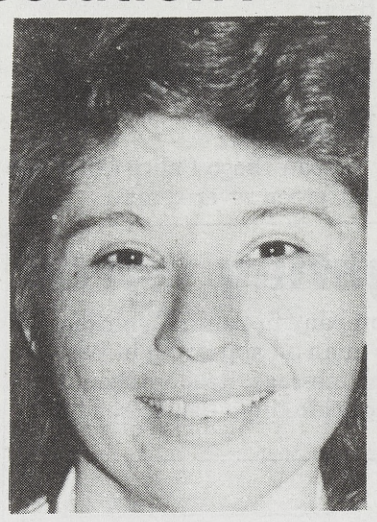
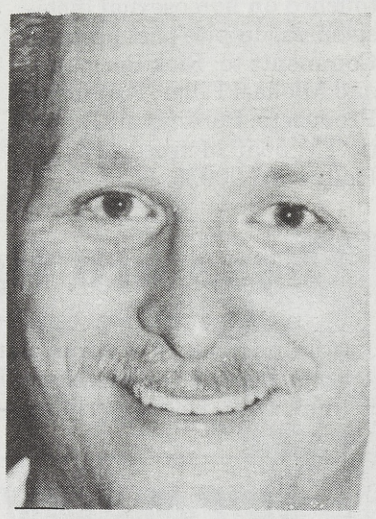


Dawn Robles
To lose weight and quit smoking.



Mike Butler
To get settled in to Sacramento. I just transferred here from Chicago.

Andrea Kenney
To give up everything I do in excess. That means coffee, smoking, sweets and engaging in retail therapy.

NEWS CLIPS

Joan Rivers packs them in

"Joan Rivers and Her Funny Friends" filled New York's Town Hall to its 1500 person capacity with lesbians, gay men, and their friends for a center benefit variety show "in the Ed Sullivan tradition."

Center Voice

Religious leaders meet

More than 25 representatives of 13 organizations attended a meeting in Cleveland in November in conjunction with the General Board of the National Council of Churches (NCC) to share concerns among the various groups struggling for equal rights and rites within their respective denominations and to remind delegates of the presence of gay and lesbian members in their own denominations. The major focus of the meeting was to get a response to MCC's rejection of observer status. Other topics covered include plans for meeting again in November 1993, possible meetings in NYC in June 1994, joint presence at the April 1993 March on Washington, declared outrage at the Presbyterian Church's overturning the election of the openly lesbian Rev. Jane Spahr as pastor of the Downtown United Presbyterian Church in Rochester, N.Y., and called for action against the State of Colorado for passage of their anti-gay initiative.

United Church of Christ News Release

Homework assigned

Denver P-FLAG requests that all interested citizens respond immediately to Colorado's Amendment 2 that not only overturns local laws which protected gays and lesbians in Denver, Aspen, and Boulder, but permits discrimination in housing, jobs, and public accommodation in the entire state. Be sure to thank those who opposed the Amendment and express your disdain for such a law when you write to Governor Roy Romer (136 State Capitol Bldg., Denver, CO 80204) and/or Mayor Wellington Webb (City and County Bldg., 1437 Bannock St., Rm. 35, Denver, CO 80204).

P-FLAG Newsletter

Group cancels meeting

The Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW), a national trade unionists' organization who advocate women's rights, notified Colorado's Governor Roy Romer that it is moving its 1993 convention from Denver because of a referendum which permits discrimination against gays and lesbians in that state. In addition Ms. Joyce Miller, CLUW president, stated that she hoped other organizations and individual vacationers will follow the lead.

The Kamber Group Newsletter

MCC rebuffed by national council

Angry gay and lesbian Christians demonstrated in Cleveland after the National Council of Churches General Board rejected the application of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches for the eleventh consecutive year.

Cracker Barrel conflict

Anticipating a repeat performance of last year's intimidation and harassment, Lambda Legal Defense and Educational Fund sought a restraining order against Cracker Barrel to protect the right of Queer Nation shareholders to attend the annual meeting without undue interference. Cracker Barrel's attorney promised a Tennessee Chancery Court judge that Cracker Barrel would comply with Tennesse corporate law allowing registered shareholders to attend and vote on all proposals at a company's annual meeting. The six lesbian and gay shareholders are expected to object to Cracker Barrel's discriminatory employment practices.

Lambda Legal Defense & Educational Fund

Phone Colorado

To protest Colorado's anti-gay policies, readers can decline Colorado's free vacation kit by calling the bureau at 1-800-COLORADO and 1-800-265-6723, ext. 595 and by writing Winter Vacation Kit, Box 38700, Dept. 595, Denver, CO 80238. Operators who answer the calls are required to note the call and the caller's comments. Declining the kit and registering displeasure with the election results may help predict the potential impact a gay boycott might have on the state's tourism industry.

KM Consultants, San Francisco

Safe sex censored in Kansas

In an effort to provide readers with a larger informative magazine, *On Our Backs* began the first phase of the expansion with the Sept/Oct '92 issue by changing printers so the magazine could be printed entirely on glossy paper. While having demonstrated a lack of homophobia by printing *The Advocate, Dimension Graphics* — a Kansas-based printing company — refused to print the magazine in its entirety based on "personal mores," not law. *OOB* will switch back to their original and reliable S.F. printer. Call 1-800-845-4617 for information on how to get a copy of the censored Nov/Dec. '92 issue or a copy — censored photos included — of the Jan/Feb '93 issue.

On Our Backs, San Francisco

Colorado shocks Whoopi

Whoopi Goldberg issued a national mailing targeting Colorado's anti-gay referendum. "I've never heard of such a thing!" Goldberg wrote. She blamed the referendum on "shrewd Southern California businessmen who know how to make a buck for their cause. They go on TV and make the financial alarm: The homosexuals are coming! Send money to [the] Rev. Lou Sheldon and he'll make them go away. What is America coming to?" Whoopi asked.

Frontiers

Will lesbian minister serve as pastor?

Although the local presbyter twice approved Reverend Jan Sparh's appointment, appeals by 10 local churches have worked to prevent her from assuming her duties. Rev. Sparh, who refused to testify on her own behalf, is eagerly awaiting the decision.

The Sacramento Bee

Make credit unions work for us

The Family Diversity Project of Spectrum Institute has launched a national campaign to end discrimination against credit union employees and consumers by removing marital status bias from their bylaws by simply adding the term "household member" to the definition. By not restricting unmarried couples from getting a joint loan or having a joint account because such transactions require both parties to be credit union members, "credit unions ... [could] ... expand membership," said Thomas F. Coleman, executive director of the project. More members means more transactions which means more profit. Coleman hopes credit union members throughout the nation will pressure local credit unions for change. The precedent has been set by the LA County Civic Center Credit Union (state regulated) and by LA City Employees Federal Credit Union (federally chartered) who recently amended their bylaws to include household members as eligible employees. Coleman hopes members will pressure institutions for change. A "how to" kit is available from Family Diversity Project, Box 65165, LA 90065, or (213) 258-8955, ext. 747.

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by John Batchelor
MGW Staff

Thank Heaven for midtown! All the gay owned and gay friendly shops are wonderful. Mr. Flash never had to set foot in any mall during the entire Christmas season. Many a gift was purchased at **Lioness Books**. It is a store one can spend hours inside. For more sensuous gifts it over to **Moment of Touch** for that special massage oil. Then **WHAM** is also within walking distance. **Pamela Jane Lockrem** has a great line of clothes (many that are activistically gay) and accessories. You can even plan ahead and have your hair done (Honest!). The shops are certainly worth the stroll ● The rainbow flag is proudly flying in a progressive men's clothing and accessories store also in midtown. **genesis MALE** is the idea of owner **Lon Garbis**. The store is a little touch of International Male ... but this time it's just down the street ● The Lambda Board Christmas party was an overwhelming success. **Jake Steuble** and **Terry Hurst** put out a wonderful spread in a festive environment. Two women looking especially beautiful were **Jeanine Perry** and **Lily Andrews**. These two can not help but brighten your world. There were almost 100 guests at the party ● Publisher/Inventor **Harry Langen** is happy to introduce **JACK 'N ANDY,** the very first (horny) board game for guys in the history of queerdom. The game requires communication of an intimate nature as players must answer personal questions as they proceed around the 'Outside Track' and after they've graduated to the 'Inside Track' the agonizing foreplay increases in intensity. With dice, a full colour board of squares, four decks of cards, and sexy puzzles, laughs and tremendous anticipation, the game is a blast; and it's ours; the very first gay game for guys. **Langen** is currently drafting the womyn's version, **JO AND ZOEY** to be released sometime in 1993. Ask for the game at gay positive retail stores or write to Night Communications, 100 Mayfield, Toronto Canada M651K8 ● **Del Martin** and **Phyllis Lyon** authors of ***Lesbian Women*** attended this year's Snow White Champagne Ball! ● The **Sacramento Area Career Women's Network (SACWN)** is under new management, **Sandy Virago** has been hired as the new executive director. Her firm, **Outsourcing Management Group,** will provide the day to day administration of SACWN. The new phone number for SACWN is 451-8034 ● The **American Association of Physicians for Human Rights (AAPHR)** newsletter featured some Sacramento folks recently. The newsletter focuses on news for and about lesbian and gay physicians. **Jessica Clark, MD** was lauded for her work in correctional health care. She was also featured in an article in the ***San Francisco Bay Times***. **Elizabeth Harrison, MD** and **Peter Hawley, MD** presented a forum on AIDS for healthcare workers in rural Minnesota. Commentary was given by **Audrey Mertz, MD** on Pierre Ludington who retired as executive director of AAPHR. ● While driving through my neighborhood, I couldn't help but notice the beautifully decorated homes. **Jon Marshack** and **Rik Rasmussen's** Victorian is tastefully outlined in white lights. **Kevin Cohee**, who decorates for almost every holiday, has decorations right out of a storybook. Our community brightens the world in more ways than one ● Make a new year's resolution to start dancing. My **Country Western, Swing and Line Dance** classes start January 25 & 26. Pick a day that works for you and get "out" on that floor! ● Happy January Birthdays to ***MGW*** publisher **Linda Birner**, former Sacramentan **Wayne Randall**, **Michael Mary Addison**, and **Tracy McBroom.** MGW volunteer extraordinaire **Stephen Scott** is celebrating both a birthday and a promotion in January. He was recently promoted to a new department at the UCD Medical Center. Congrats! ● The **Sacramento Men's Chorus (SMC)** holiday concert was a hit. (The video is now available!) Kudos to **Bob Austin** as the official wardrobe coordinator for SMC. The song "A Season for Lovers" left the audience without a dry eye. The concert was followed by a party at the Brendan house. Food was provided by **Lou Camera** and **Dan Trimble's Salt & Pepper** Catering. SMC also performed at Nordstrom's during the Christmas rush. Way to go! ● In the craziness of the holidays, **Mike Kelly** hosted a party for the **Sacramento Area Gay and Lesbian Educators (SAGLE)**. The group hopes to get rolling again in 1993 ● Don't forget to attend two upcoming concerts. **Romanovsky and Phillips** on January 8. And **Linda Tillery** on January 9. Sacramento's own **Open Road** will open the R&P concert. Both events are at the Sierra 2 Theatre ● For a bit of celebrity gossip, the ***Sacramento Bee*** included news on **Martina Navratilova**. It was encouraging to see the paper give the Navratilova relationship the same billing as the Princess Di marital woes. Apparently Martina's ex-lover **Judy Nelson** is now involved with author **Rita Mae Brown**, who was Martina's companion before Nelson assumed the role. And Nelson recently bought some land near Charlottesville, VA., Rita Mae's hometown you may need to read this twice! ● Until February, stick to accomplishing those New Year's resolutions!

John▼

Happy New Year!

Town Council notes

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

The Sacramento Lesbian and Gay Town Council meeting on December 14 was sparsely attended due to the holiday season. The pending debate on changing the name of the Town Council to include bisexuals was tabled until January.

Lastly, the Police Liaison Committee is accepting applications to replace outgoing members. And, the National March on Washington was an organization that raised money for AIDS but did not reveal that it was a gay organization.

Photo special to MGW

Jayne Rountree of Rainbow Real Estate Professionals accepts the Award for Civic Activities from Mike Lyon, president of the Sacramento Board of Realtors.

It was reported that Town Council member Jayne Rountree received the Sacramento Association of Realtors Award for Civic Activities for her work in developing the Rainbow Real Estate professionals.

Also reported, was the success of the CGNIE float which took first prize at the Sacramento Santa Parade. The float was designed and produced by J.P. Lacari with the help of Jim Maxwell and Jim Nelson. Lacari and the others told spectators that CGNIE urgently needs fundraising help. Contact the Lesbian and Gay Town Council at 448-0422 for details.▼

Photo special to MGW

Michael Jones, aka Grand Duchess XIII Shondra, J.P. Lacari, Grand Duke XIII and Paul Crouch.

New men's clothing store opens

Genesis Male, a men's clothing specialty shop, has opened at 2220 J St., Suite 5 in the heart of midtown. This distinctly San Francisco style men's specialty store will carry top-line casual shirts, logo sweats, denim jeans, imported sports wear, undergarments, belts and accessories.

Genesis Male will occupy the Gifted Gardener's former location in the courtyard behind See's Candy and across from Flower Concepts. Store owner Lon Garbis credits David Kwong and Brad Liszt of the Gifted Gardener, a long established midtown merchant, with their help in selecting a well-suited store location.▼

Master Calender

March on Washington	April 23 -26, 1993
Gay Games - New York	June, 1994
Lambda Center Awards Dinner	June 19, 1993
CAP PAC Dinner	June 5, 1993
S.F. Gay/Lesbian Film Festival	June 18-27, 1993
S.F. Gay Pride Parade	June 27, 1993
Northwest Games, Seattle	July 4-6, 1993
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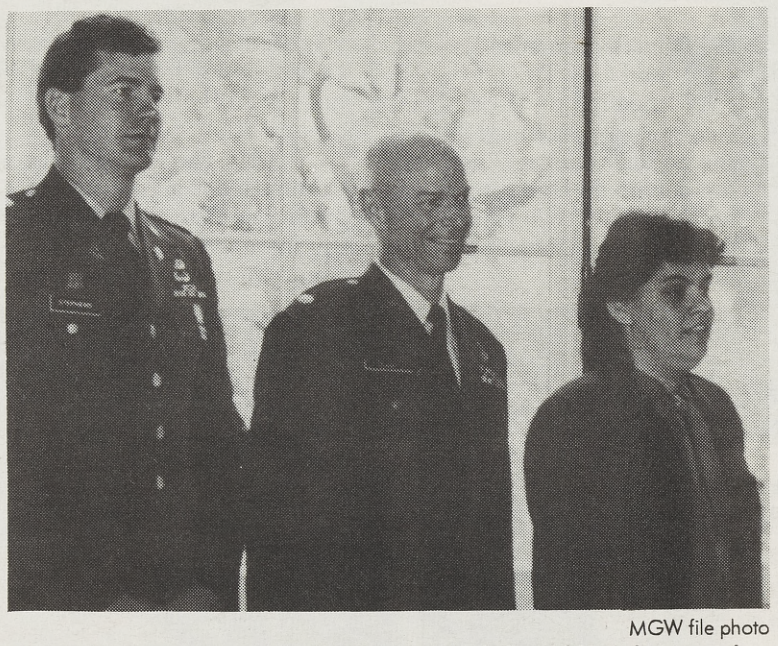

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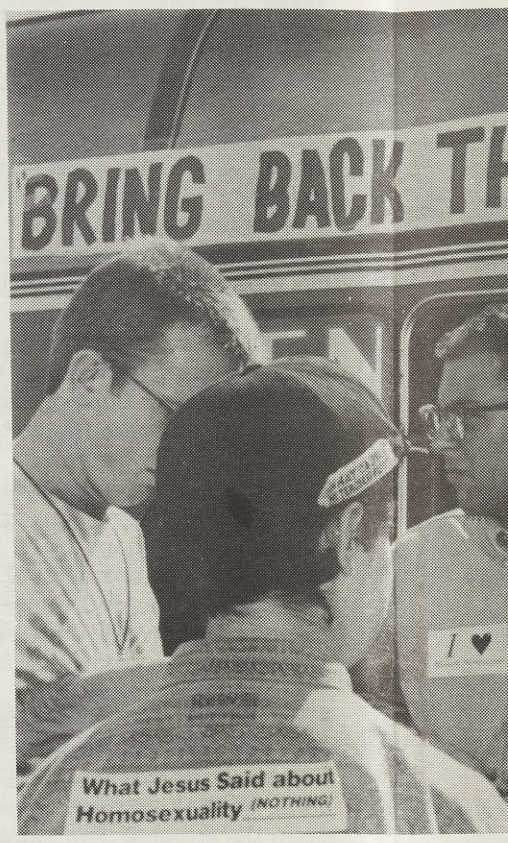
Capt. Alan Stephens, MGW Editor Lt. Col. David K. Eckert, and Beth Harrison at the hearings of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation of the HR Veterans Affairs Committee. Eckert was the founder of Twin Spirit Veterans. David passed away this year.



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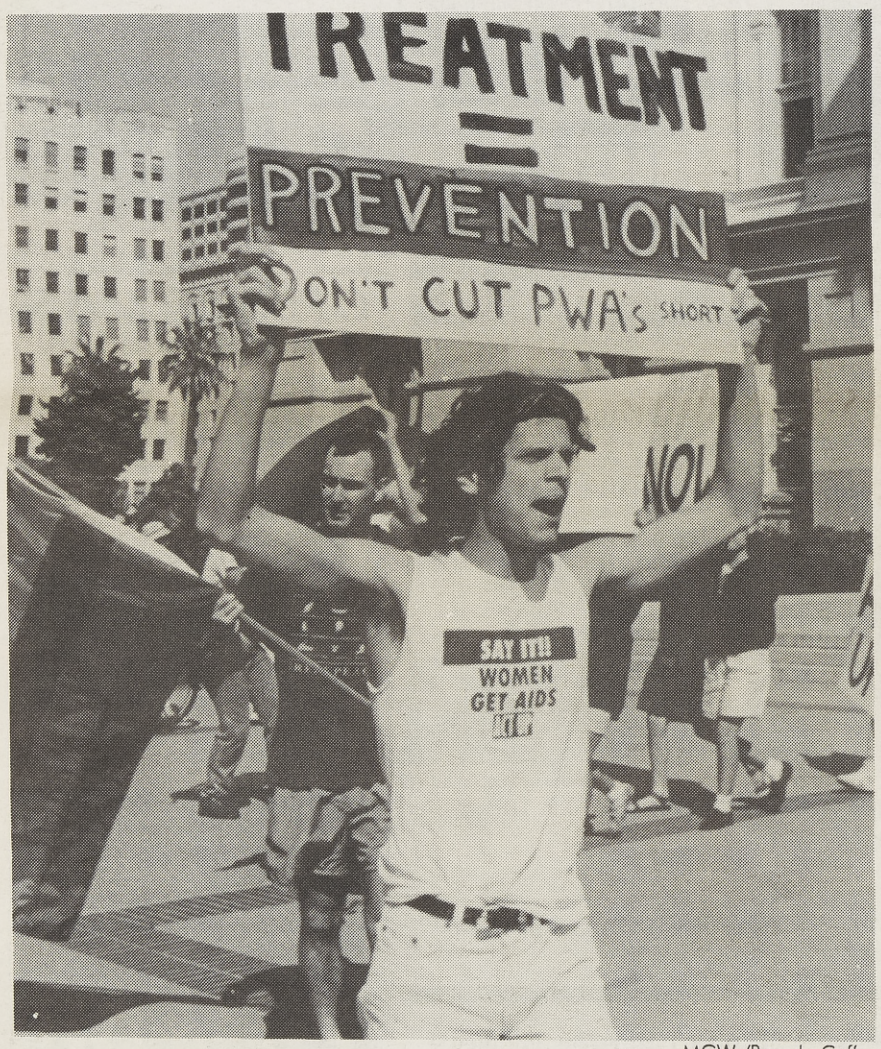

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Action continued against Governor Wilson with Members of ACT UP and new group YAC UP (Youth Action Coalition to Unleash Power) demonstrated on the Capitol steps against the AIDS budget for California.

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Jerry Sloan and members of Queer Nation demonstrate in front of Sacramento's first Baptist Church during a Sunday morning service.

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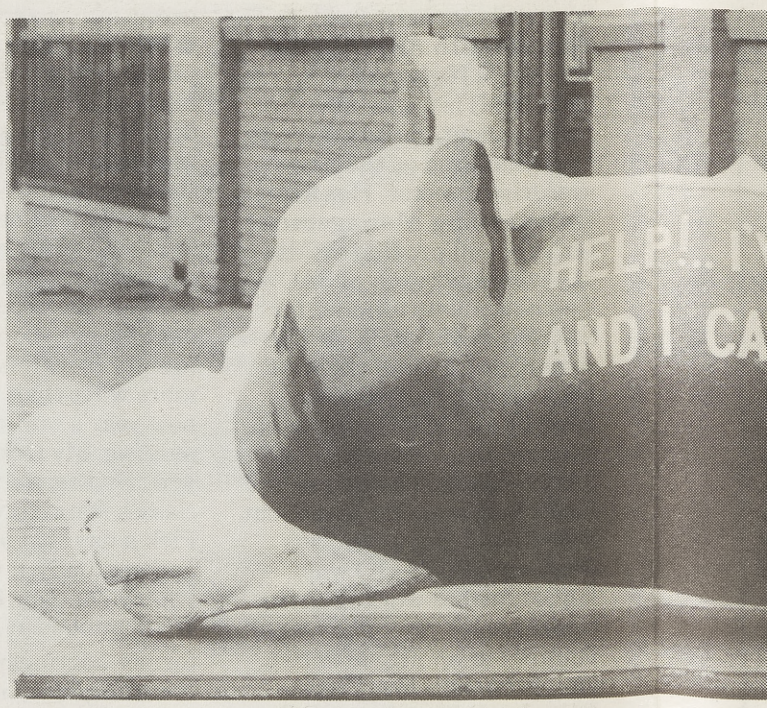
At S.F. Gay Pride Parade Gay/Lesbian Therapists continue the 50-minute hour.



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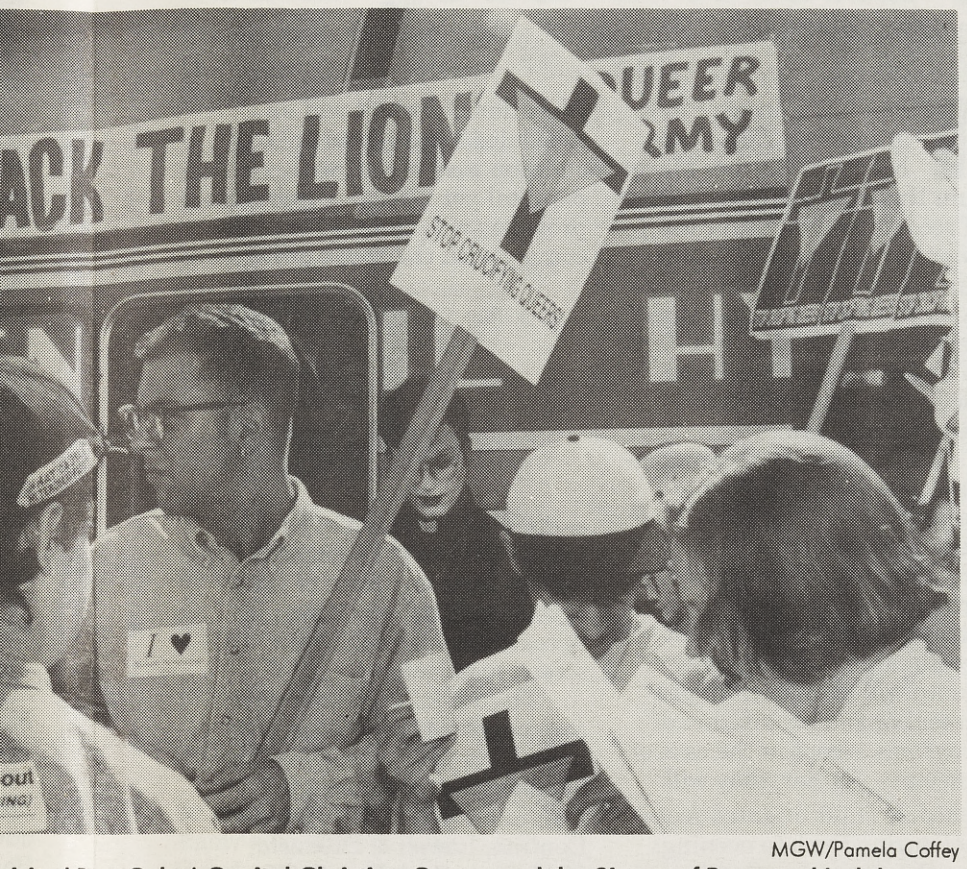

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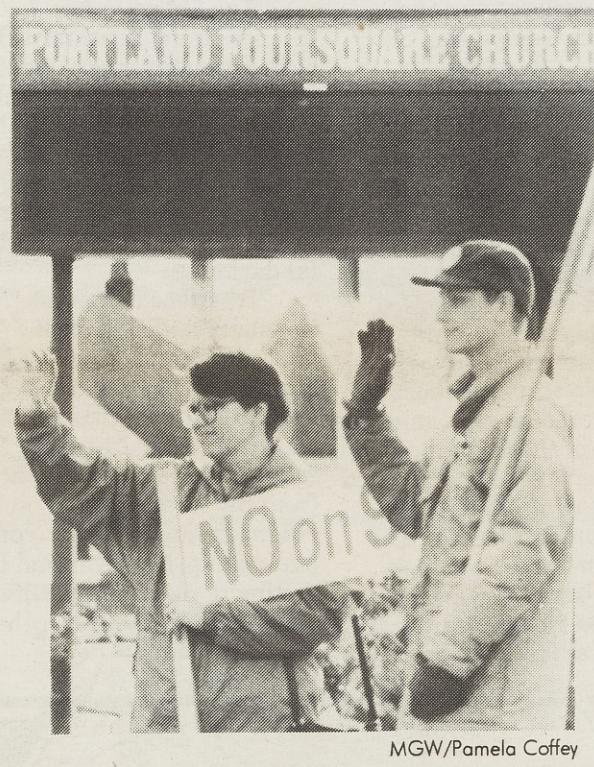

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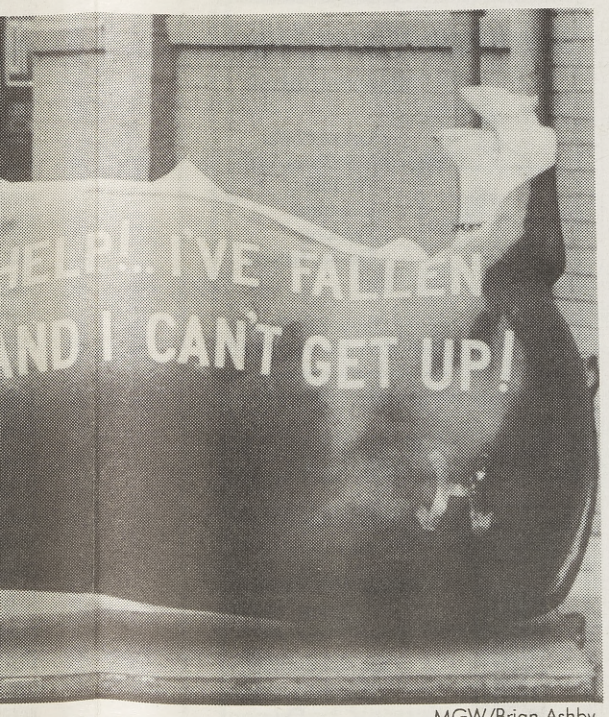
We won in Portland, Oregon!

MGW/Brian Ashby

Our Mayor Anne Rudin retired after championing the Domestic Partnership Ordinance. Rudin was honored at a dinner by CAP PAC in May. Rudin, a long-time friend and supporter of the gay and lesbian community, spoke with warmth about the early days getting to know the community and how important the community has been to her success as Sacramento's first woman mayor.



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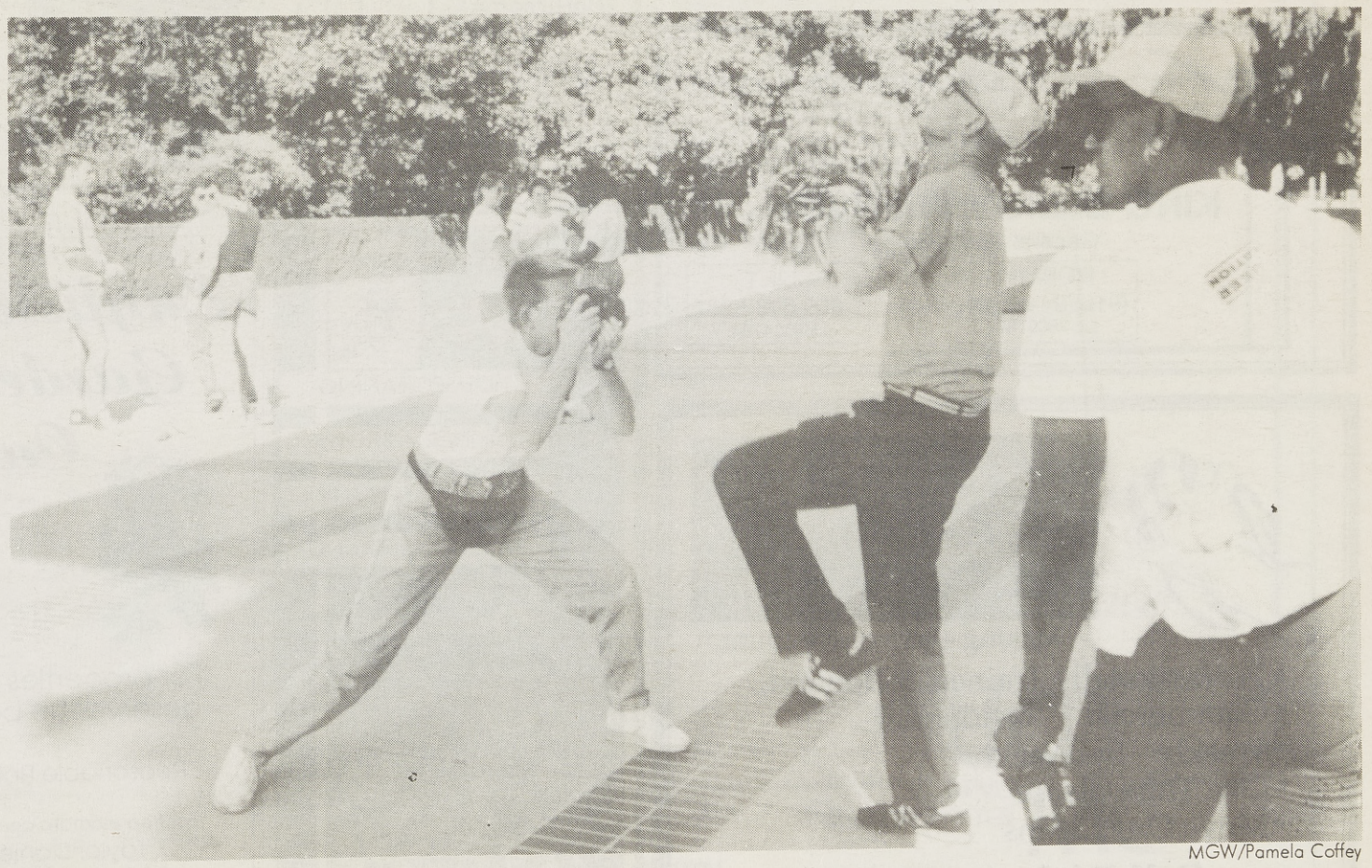

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MGW photographer Pamela Coffey catches a cheerleader at State Capitol Coming Out Day rally.

Don't try this at home!

by John Mello
MGW Staff

All I Want For Christmas - a play by Michael Miiller, The IDEA Gallery, Dec 3-13.

The recently founded Discovery Theatre Company, a collaboration between playwright Michael Miiller and Angela Yee, debuted in the play All I Want For Christmas as a benefit for the Child and Family Institute, a family-based treatment program for survivors of child abuse. The show takes place in a small midwestern town on Christmas Day and presents hair-raising confrontations between adult children (Dian Calahane, Shaz Davison, Miiller) and their sexually abusive father (Don Myers). "Show" may not be the right word for it; "psycho-drama" and "lecture-demonstration" also come to mind. The playwright's heart is in the right place, but audiences may find it too didactic to work as theater. The actors, by constantly being expected to chew up the scenery, could not build believable characters and had difficulty maintaining focus, which gave it more of a psychotherapy workshop feeling, where participants struggle to express their anger and pain. Even so, they had a raw, undisciplined kind of committment that was fascinating. Miiller addressed the audience downstage in urgent asides where his striking bone structure was eerily lit. It certainly kept us guessing.

In "Trauma and Recovery" by Judith Lewis Herman, M.D. (Basic Books), an outstanding new work on this subject, the author comments:

"Clinicians know the privileged moment of insight when repressed ideas, feelings and memories surface into consciousness. These moments occur in the history of societies as well as in the history of individuals. In the 1970s, the speakouts of the women's liberation movement brought to public awareness the widespread crimes of violence against women. We realized the power of speaking the unspeakable and witnessed first hand the creative energy that is released when the barriers of denial and repression are lifted."

But Herman cautions:

"The survivor should be clear about her strategy for disclosure, planning in advance...Consider first approaching those who might be sympathetic before proceeding to confront those who might be implacably hostile...Just like self-defense training, direct involvement in family conflicts often requires a series of graded exercises, in which the survivor masters one level of fear before choosing to proceed to higher levels of exposure."

Near the end of All I Want For Christmas, the mother (Mary Etheridge) is completely overwhelmed by her children's revelations of their father's sexual abuse, crying "You'll burn in hell for this and so will I." She then pulls a mighty real looking rifle on her husband. This clearly would not be a good strategy. Don't try this at home.

The Child and Family Institute is located at 4545 9th Avenue in Sacramento.▼

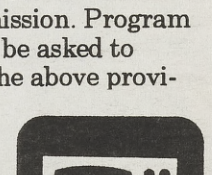
Task force outlines suggestions for cable TV

by DarcyPlymire
MGW Staff

The Public Access Programming Task Force, headed by former Mayor Ann Rudin, has drafted a series of recommendations for the Board of Directors of Access Sacramento. The recommendations will be formalized at the next meeting of the Task Force to be held at the Pub of the McGeorge Law School on January 5 at 9am.

One of the five recommendations will be to follow Section 10 C of the 1992 Federal Cable Act which prohibits sexually explicit programming on public, education, and government access cable. Access Sacramento will abstain from prescreening and prohibition of programs except in the case of obscenity. Rather, they will schedule adult oriented material during the late evening.

Programming that is explicitly sexual but has educational content will be scheduled at a time when children may view it with parental permission. Program providers will be asked to comply with the above provi-



sions, and the Board of Sacramento Cable will be asked to refrain from any form of grant agreement that would require Access Sacramento to prescreen material.

The Task Force invites comments, either written or in person, for their next meeting. Send written comments to: Programming Task Force, c/o Dentino, Powell & DiGiusto, 1545 River Park Dr., #450, 95818.▼

The Town House hangs underground queer artist "Brian"

by John Mello
MGW Staff

The Town House opens its walls from time to time to the works of artists outside the gallery circuit. Brian, an artist of five years who is now in his thirties, has worked in Tokyo and San Francisco in the queer art underground. The eight mixed media works on display used collage, pastel, watercolor, sumi ink and enogu paint in heavy impasto. He cautions us in a handwritten note, "I don't go in much for art world B.S. criteria...I encourage everyone to write their own stories for the miscellaneous queer characters pictured here." In compliance with his wishes, here is one reviewer's own purely fictional version:

"Enchantment (self portrait)" — I am a dancer, painter and sometime model who has fled New York for Sacramento, San Francisco and Tokyo after dark. Sacramento is not nearly as uptight as New York and I can make $30,000 in a few weeks stripping in Japan--mostly on tips--and blow it just as fast. I find it enchanting to take a ballet company class wherever I happen to be. Here, the accompanist is playing "Foolin' Myself" while I dance.

"Kaze o Yobu Otoko (Tokyo drag a go-go)" — I think the sign on this place says "Catch a Call Boy." In Japanese slang, gays are "okama" or "rice cookers" which I haven't figured out yet. Generally, these topics are too indelicate for polite conversation until after hours when liquor bursts the dam of respectability.

"Angelique Does Chinatown (The birth of Art Nouveau)" — If you were raised on the Angelique novels like I was — "Angelique in Love," "Angelique and the King," "The Temptation of Angelique," "Angelique in Barbary," "Angelique in Revolt"— you'll recall that they take place during the reign of Louis XIV. Here, she is being updated to the 1890s where she has invented art nouveau during a reverie in an opium den in San Francisco.

"La vie en Angelique (Getting into an Egypt vibe)" — Life seen through angelica yellow colored glasses, angelica being one of the main ingredients of Chartreuse and reputed to have been a remedy for plague brought to a monk by an angel in 1665. I am seen dreaming of the hawk-headed healing god Horus wearing the love goddess Hathor's cow horns.

"The Magister No. 1 (Stoned in the gay quarter)" — Getting loaded wipes out the hideous greenish gases of the deserted city by blacking them out, revealing only its neon-like little stained glass fragments. My hand and smiling face are awash in this masterful darkness.

"Interface (Glambot [?] in the mainframe)" — Self-portraits from realism to abstraction, from dark and drab to lit from within, from wakefulness to dreaming, from sober to under the influence, from the street to the Town House, from solitude to companionship. My lover and I are getting to like the nightlife here; we run into each other a lot in the clubs.▼

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1993: Friends starting off the New Year with friends

How good a friend are you?

To check on your friendship rating, complete this quiz by circling the number under the appropriate answer. Then, follow the rating instructions given at the end of the quiz.

	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
1). My best friends tell me their secrets, their beliefs, and their feelings.	1	2	3	4	5
2) I introduce my friends to each other.	1	2	3	5	4
3) I call, write or see all of those I consider real friends at least once a month, whether there is a reason to do so or not.	1	2	3	4	5
4) I tell my friends things about myself I wouldn't want other people to know.	1	2	5	2	1
5) My friends discuss topics about which they know we will disagree.	1	2	4	3	1
6) I repeat confidences my friends tell me.	5	4	3	2	1
7) In the past year, I've helped a friend celebrate a special event or something good that happened.	1	2	3	4	5
8) When I see a newspaper or magazine article that I know a friend will enjoy, I cut it out and send it.	1	2	3	4	5
9) I cook a meal for my friends.	1	2	3	5	1
10) If a friend needs me for moral support and I'm really too busy to go, I do it anyway.	1	2	3	4	5

How do you rate?

Add all of the numbers you've circled when completing the quiz.

40-50: You're a good friend and others enjoy you.

30-39: Maybe you let a busy work schedule push friendship aside. Try to work harder at it.

20-29: You may not realize how good friendships can improve your life.

10-19: Friendships are obviously unimportant to you If you feel lonely or depressed frequently, consider setting aside some time to rethink your values.

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What's behind the questions?

1) Such telling shows your friends trust, as well as like you, so you rate a five if you've marked always.

2) It's great to introduce friends to other friends, but it's important to think about how friends will react before you make those introductions. You may be able to ignore opposing political beliefs, for example; but will they? Often is the top rating here.

3) A few minutes (or more) once a month is the least a friend should expect.

4) Sometimes rates highest because you may want to share important secrets, but you don't need to weigh your friends down with unimportant trivia, no matter how embarrassing.

5) If your friends always bring up topics they know will make you rabid, they may enjoy baiting you more than being your friend.

6) You should never repeat a friend's confidences when they ask you to keep them to yourself.

7) Celebrations are at least as important as sympathizing and always rate tops.

8) Thoughtfulness is an acquired skill. If you rated low, work at being more considerate.

9) Dinner out can't match the love and caring of preparing a meal.

10) You should go to your friend in most cases — unless you have a dire emergency of your own or unless the friend makes too frequent or unnecessary calls.

Dos Fallopia launches 1993 SACWN programs

Dos Fallopia, the outrageous kamikaze comedy duo from Seattle Washington will appear at the monthly meeting of the Sacramento Area Career Women's Network on Saturday, January 23, in the Terrace Room of the Clarion Hotel. Networking will begin at 6:30pm with the performance at 7:30pm.

Dos Fallopia is the warped comedy mind of Lisa Koch and Peggy Platt, who discovered the "twin sisters of different cul-de-sacs" while on an archaeological dig in the Pacific Northwest. They perform music, sketch comedy, improv and stand-up routines with a sharp wit, left wing politics and general lunacy to produce an evening of wickedly funny commentary from a lesbian point of view.

Lisa Koch is a singer-songwriter-comedian-actor who has shared a stage with Steve Martin, Dave Brubeck, Richie Havens and Holly Near. Peggy Platt was voted Seattle's Best Comic for 1992 by the *Seattle Weekly*. She has appeared on the Showtime Comedy Club Network, and is the past winner of the Seattle Laff-Off competition.

Tickets are on sale through the mail and by calling SACWN at 451-8034 at $15 for SACWN subscribers, $20 for non-subscribers and $25 at the door (if available). Seating will be limited to 200 women. SACWN meetings are open to women over 21 years of age.▼

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Rand Martin: Directs Sacramento's first full-length Torch Song Trilogy for Lambda Players

by John Mello
MGW Staff

Rand Martin is a model of style and grace. The handsome actor and baritone. The accomplished director and choreographer. The former lobbyist, one of the founders and for four years the executive director of the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE), who has been for the last two years a legislative staffperson for Assemblyman Terry Friedman. Perhaps best known for shepherding the vetoed AB 101 (Friedman) and being part of the team that drafted its successful resurrection in a narrower form, AB 2601 (Friedman), Martin manages to be both the serious, hardworking man and for a time recently the capricious drag queen of La Cage aux Folles with the Davis Musical Theatre Company. He has had the pleasure of doing many of our favorite shows. We know author Harvey Fierstein was born in 1954, but director Martin remains ageless--and single.

JM: I so admire your ability to do both careers--in politics and the theater; what are your long-range plans?

RM: My changes in career tend to be sudden rather than planned for, but I don't see any change in the near future. I've been the route of the starving actor and director and I don't need to do that again. I get my fill of artistic expression. There are lots of opportunities to work in the theater in Sacramento; they may not all be professional, but I'm quite satisfied with non-professional. *I want to continue to do a mix: two shows a year, one musical* and one play. After Torch Song Trilogy, I start rehearsing On The 20th Century immediately.

JM: What about writing original works?

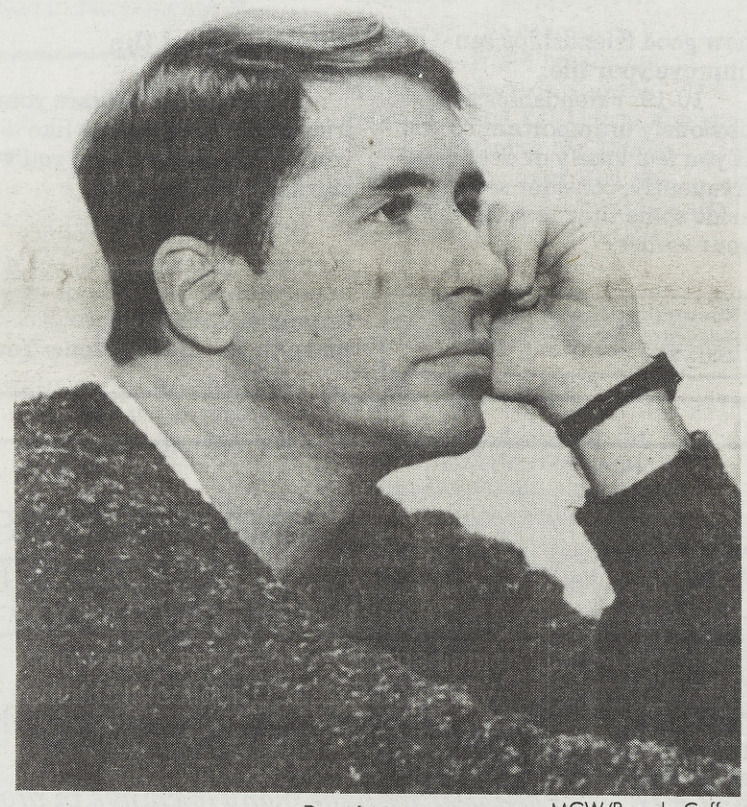
RM: I think about it, but I don't have the patience these days to write. I do well at writing bills and analyses, however. When I finish my job in the Capitol and then go rehearse, whatever time I have left over needs to go toward some kind of social life. I would hope that I will have the time. If I do, I expect it will be nonfiction writing related to career experiences, the gay and lesbian community, the history of the founding of LIFE, etc. When I was younger I wrote, but it was inartful.

JM: Has directing Torch Song Trilogy been a dream of yours?

RM: It has always been one of my first choices in terms of non-musicals. It is an incredibly important piece of theater, not only for gays and lesbians, but for its artistic qualities. My passion for it is two-fold: a passion for the characters, their experiences and the message it sends, coupled with a personal passion--I haven't directed a play for over a decade, so I was very interested when the Lambda Players asked me to choose something I would like to direct for them.

JM: How do you work when directing?

RM: I'm a very one-on-one director who works in partnership with the cast. Being dictatorial closes off opportunities. We spend a lot of time talking about who these characters are and how the actors' experiences relate to the characters' and they have found surprising similarities. It's a difficult play to rehearse because of its length; it's hard to run the entire show in one rehearsal.



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JM: How do you get the energy and rhythm to build then?

RM: Plays have to build internally. To build consistent energy, everyone must be playing the truth of the characters. When the audience believes and is rooting for the characters, that's when the energy builds. Rhythm comes from authorial skill. Some plays are better written than others.

JM: Have you made any changes in it?

RM: No changes in content, but the perspective will be different because this is 1993. It is a pre-AIDS play and there is no way of updating it without rewriting it. I am presenting it as Arnold Beckoff's memory, which is an opportunity to present the play in the same non-linear way our memories work. "The International Stud" is an episodic play presented in segments like flashbacks. "Fugue in a Nursery" is a game and not at all linear. I'm doing it, without the conceit of the large bed and projected slides, as a game of musical chairs. "Widows and Children First!" has to be more realistic because our memories of recent events are more linear.

JM: Are you going to use Billie Holiday songs like the film did? She really conjures up the early seventies.

RM: Some. Not the grim ones, but ones that thumb their nose at the loss of love. Music is really a part of the highs and lows in Arnold's life in the first play.

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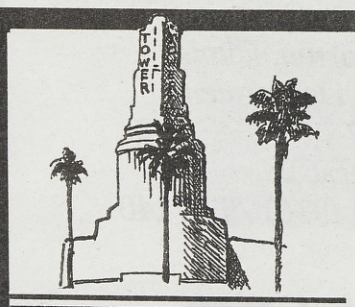

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Outstanding show at Tribe Gallery/Design

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

On December 10 the hot cajun, zydeco, blues band Mumbo Gumbo played an AIDS benefit at the very hip Tribe Design/Art Exhibit.

Rarely is such a delightful mix of visual and aural art offered for such a worthy cause, but the low attendance was disheartening.

The Tribe exhibit was the work of Deborah Miller, an architect with an interest in furniture design, and Ted Smith a contractor who also does design work. The idea was to produce an art show that would have the feel of an underground rave. To that end they contracted 55 artists (all but three were Sacramentans) to patch together a crazy cool combination of visual images.

Like all good art, this is difficult to describe in words. A set of three old metal lawn chairs painted in wild colors doesn't sound nearly as exciting as it looks. Neither does an eight foot tall and one foot wide cabinet made of fallen tree limbs and scrap wood. How about a coffee cup screen door? The truth is if you missed the exhibit, you can never imagine it.

Originally, Miller and Smith had planned a series of shows that would move around to unique venues in Sacramento, but the financial disappointment of the Tribe show has given them second thoughts. If they do make a comeback in the spring, be sure you see the show.▼

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JM: What were your own experiences in the seventies? Did you feel the same isolation and alienation that Arnold was coming from?

RM: I am a cross between Arnold and Ed. I came out in the midst of the seventies in the bars of Washington, D.C. I relate to Arnold, though my personal life and relationships were different. I had a supportive family and was involved in the theater. Theater was all I did and that's a very gay environment anyway. So I felt no isolation--I had it relatively easy. I'm not sympathetic with the self-censoring that people like Ed do nor with the barriers they throw up. I think most of us in the seventies probably had more in common with Ed than with Arnold.

JM: I remember a date in New York back then who was very upset that I embarrassed him in his favorite bar by ordering a Mai Tai.

RM: That's a very East Coast mentality. Too fruity.

JM: Have you been involved in a long-term relationship?

RM: I had one like Arnold and Ed, but I've not found my happily ever after, yet.

JM: What do you think happens to Arnold and Ed in the eighties and nineties?

RM: I have an opinion about it, but I believe the play stops where it does at the end of "Widows and Children First!" Speculating throws a spin on it. I'll leave it to Harvey Fierstein to write his own sequel.

JM: Please talk about the play's personal significance for you.

RM: I personally identify with a lot of it. Fierstein's biggest success is that he has written for so many people. There is a reality that most of us have experienced. For example, the breakup on the telephone that one of us fights. When I listen to the actors rehearsing that scene, my stomach starts turning. The relationship between Arnold and Alan is teasing and lighthearted. Their intimate conversations in bed are a part of our desires. We all want to have a lover like Alan; that fact that he isn't perfect makes it seem more attainable to us. When Mrs. Beckoff appears, it plays more on our fears of what might happen than on reality. We've spent years scripting what might happen when we come out to our parents--being thrown out in the snow, being written out of the will--but that's not generally the reality. The fights Arnold and his mother have are probably more intense and communicative than we experienced.

JM: What about its political relevance? Don't Torch Song Trilogy's characters suggest that the social changes since 1979 could only have come about once gays or lesbians achieved a personal sense of power by coming out first?

RM: It's not so much a personal sense of power in something that is outwardly directed, but as a coming to grips with one's homosexuality as that first inner step toward social and political empowerment. Seeing a play like this helps affirm or re-affirm a gay or lesbian person's choices. It's not all rosey--not like the film Making Love about how wonderful it is to be gay and wind up in a New York penthouse with a rich, handsome doctor. When I first saw the play and Arnold told Ma that Alan had been killed, it was an absolutely devastating moment for me. When we see painful growth in Ed, we recognize ourselves in his character. Ma comes across as pretty insensitive and not very motherly, but by the end we learn a lot about her and she becomes sympathetic. We feel very deeply the changes that have taken place inside of them.

... we recognize ourselves in his character ...

The main thing is that Fierstein is solid. Form and content are solid. The only other one that comes to mind is Jane Chambers. It's a shame that so many gay playwrights have sacrificed quality because they know they have a captive audience. I personally can't stand Larry Kramer's destructive, angry statements. Fierstein's works can be disruptive, but they are also positive portrayals open to cross-cultural understanding. They affirm.

Torch Song Trilogy runs January 8-30 at the YWCA Theatre, 1122 17th Street, Sacramento. The cast includes Thomas Bach as Arnold, Patrick Elkins-Zeglarski as Ed, Lisa Brodkey as Laurel, John Rambo as Alan, Fritzi Youngstedt as Ma and David Borad as David. Call 442-7752 for ticket information.▼

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Goals for the New Year

by DarcyPlymire
MGW Staff

New Year's is the traditional time to make resolutions: to lose weight, to quit smoking, to eat better, to get some exercise. Regrettably, most resolutions are jettisoned long before the benefits of better diet, exercise, and so on can be realized. There are many reasons that health and fitness programs fail, but most of them can be reduced to problems of motivation and lack of commitment.

The basis of motivation and commitment are clear goals and realistic expectations. Drastic behavioral changes of the sort that constitute resolutions are very difficult. There are some basic rules of goal setting that make the job easier.

The first rule is be specific. Example: "I am going to run more this year" is a very vague statement, "I will run 3 miles 5 days a week between 7-8am," is more appropriate. This statement provides a way of measuring whether the goal has been met.

Rule number 2 is be realistic and set short term goals that will lead to the long term goal. If you currently can't run around the block, the goal of running 3 miles 5 days a week is unrealistic. But, if you set easier short term goals, like running 10 minutes 3 days a week and walking briskly 2 days, then you can build *gradually to the desired goal while improving your fitness.*

Rule number 3 is to be flexible. If you set a firm goal of running 5 days a week, and the first week you work overtime each day, you may "fail" to reach your goal. But, if you realize that circumstances may delay achievement of your goal, you can start the next week free of debilitating guilt.

Finally, the golden rule of motivation is REWARD YOURSELF. When you have met your short and long term goals make a point of treating yourself to something you enjoy. Plan your rewards ahead of time, and recruit friends or significant others to help you implement them. Knowing what you will get when you are done with the hard work will get you going, and friends will gently remind you to keep your commitment.▼

Sports Notes ...

by Darcy Plymire
MGW Staff

Runners ...

Lesbian and gay runners now have a group to run with in Sacramento. The Sacramento Frontrunners are meeting Saturday mornings at 9am on the north side of the Guy West Bridge and Wednesdays at 6pm on the west steps of the Capitol.

Runners and walkers of all ability levels are invited to join, and beginners are welcome. The runs are 3-5+ miles, the pace is moderate, and there is always a one-mile walk. The group chooses a race or fun run to participate in every month, so there is room for competitive runners as well.

Call 387-8275 or 444-2835 for details.

Basketball ...

I made my annual pilgrimage to Palo Alto in December to watch the Stanford women's basketball team play. The Cardinal are defending NCAA division I national champions, and they always draw huge crowds.

Closer to home, Sacramento State and U.C. Davis both field exciting and competitive teams, but the crowds are usually minuscule. Womens' collegiate sports are growing, but they need support to continue. Information on dates and times of games is available through the campus box office at both universities.▼

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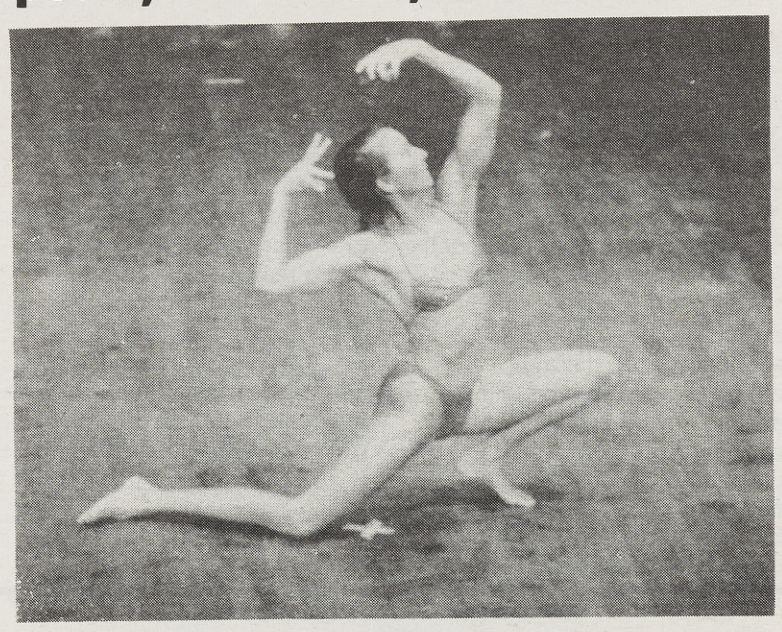

Sports photographer, Cheryl A. Traendly announced the release of a limited book of photography entitled THE WOMEN - Gay Games III Vancouver, Canada, a 96-page collection of 150 black and white photographs. THE WOMEN is available for $19.95 at bookstores or by ordering from: 3008 Manning Ct., Santa Rosa, CA 95403 or call (707) 579-3898.▼

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No shortcuts to training or problem solving

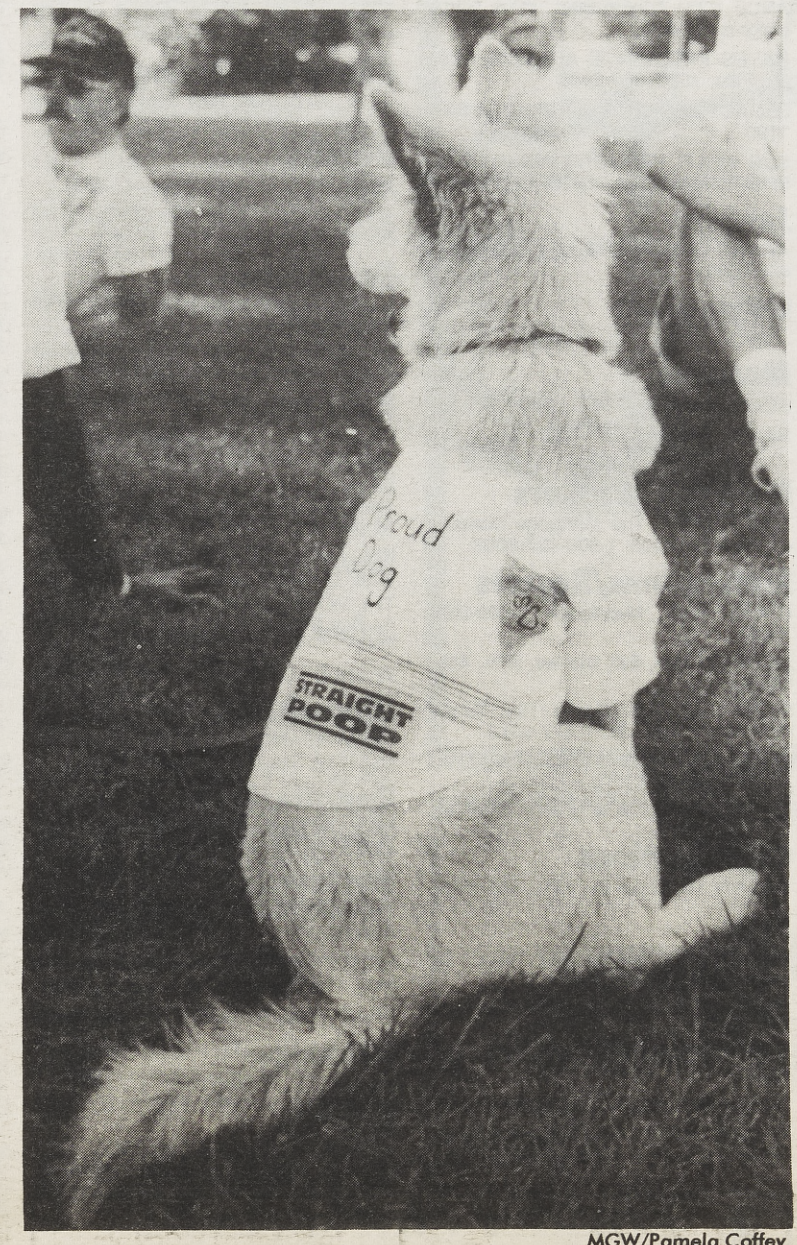
by Joan B. Guertin
MGW Staff

In a world of fast food restaurants, instant everything from coffee to printing, and "one-hour cleaning/photo developing," it is little wonder that we look for the quickest, easiest way to solve our problems. Unfortunately, few things of importance can be relegated to the realm of the quick fix and that is particularly true of curing behavior problems in dogs and training them.

There are many trainers who promote "fast results." My question would be "what method is being used?" Many problems can be temporarily fixed if the method is abusive or harsh. But for a long-term fix, it takes a great deal of patience to reprogram behavior. And then, there is no guarantee unless changes are made in the environment as well. For instance, if a dog has been constantly thrown into a crate accompanied by angry words and a slamming door, the dog will soon resent the crate. It may go so far as to resist being crated and as more force is applied, turn, snap, or even bite. This, of course results in more displays of anger, maybe even a harsh, physical reprimand by the owner or person crating the dog. The more force that is used, the greater the resistance on the part of the dog. Finally, all it takes is a motion toward the crate or a pointing finger to turn dog into a snarling viscious dog. Even the sound of a crate door slamming could become the trigger that would set the dog off.

Such a problem can be solved through rehabilitation, long hours of working quietly with the animal to recondition it to the crate with a reward system. However, once the dog returns home, if the people still send out the same signals, haven't altered their methods of communicating with the dog, then we end up with a problem dog again.

This is an extreme example. However, it is a reality. One of the "quick-fix" training agendas proposed by many trainers is putting basic obedience on a dog in 2½ weeks and returning "a well trained" dog to you. To produce these results a trainer has to be using strong fear and pain oriented training. Personally, I am never comfortable with a dog that has been trained utilizing pain and fear. The conditioning is so negative that one never knows what will trigger a negative response from the dog. Even more frightening is the promise that "you will have a protection-trained dog in only three weeks." The type of agitating methods used to get a dog to attack will often result in a loose cannon dog that can, and often does, go off at inappropriate times. There is no such thing as a shortcut in training any dog. Homeowners fall for this type of hype because they want the perfect situation without investing time and energy. They will take a young dog, too young for the responsibility placed on it, and get back a half-cocked, loaded gun with teeth. A healthy, mature, obedience-trained dog with normal territorial instincts is all anyone needs to promise protection.



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A third promise that one often hears associated with training is that "you are guaranteed a dog that is dependable off leash in only X number of weeks." This is scary in that there are too many variables in any given dog training class to make that sort of promise. Each dog is different to begin with. Secondly, each trainer is different. While I have had many dogs that I could work off leash as early as six weeks of intensive training, I would certainly never guarantee that their owners could do the same. A trainer who has many, many years of experience (and I've been training since 1959, professionally) has an attitude that dogs sense, which commands respect. Dogs that won't work for their owners will look good with me because of the years I've spent learning and perfecting technique and communication skills with animals. I love finding people in my classes who have that. It means that they have probably had animals, particularly dogs, most of their lives and have wonderful intuitive ability. Their dogs shine and are well ahead of all of the rest. On the other end of the spectrum are all of those people who have never had dogs, never trained and have few, if any, skills. Their dogs won't be nearly as far along. However, with my clientele, mostly family pet owners, even the most inept of owners will come away with skills in handling and communication. They will not have a trained dog! Training takes years. In addition to the actual training class, success is predicated on the amount of quality time spent working with the dog in between classes. Another important variable is the breed of dog and its maturity. We train puppies beginning at 13 weeks in class (or whenever they have completed their shots). They come away knowing more, with a lot more discipline and with owners that have a better handle on what makes their pup tick. It is like kindergarten, youngsters develop early social skills and some manners and some self discipline ... they don't leave ready to go into the job market. The same applies to the dog training process. It takes time, commitment to working consistently and lots of energy. However, it needs to be done with positive training techniques so that the dog does not lose his trust or develop fear.

So, when looking for someone to help you train your dog, ask if they mind if you observe a class and drop by and watch. Ask yourself questions ... do you like the way the trainer deals with the people and the dogs. Not every class is for everyone. Do you feel comfortable with working the way that the trainer suggests. If you get into a militaristic, force oriented class that asks you to basically "jerk and shout," can you do it? If not, find someone who trains more gently. Training need not be harsh. Training can be gentle, on both the dog and the people. ONE CLASS DOES NOT MEAN A TRAINED DOG. Expect to put in a number of sessions to reach the level that you are comfortable with. As for off-leash work — remember that we have leash laws and your dog must be leashed in public!

As for solving behavior problems, remember that behavior is a result of habits and we didn't develop them overnight so we can't correct them overnight. Loud, abusive methods never solved ANY problems. Successful training is a result of sound, positive methods ... AND, THERE ARE NO SHORTCUTS OR QUICK FIXES.▼

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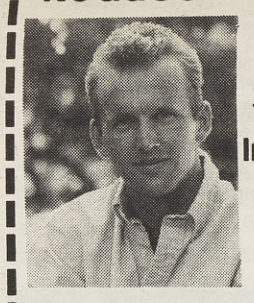

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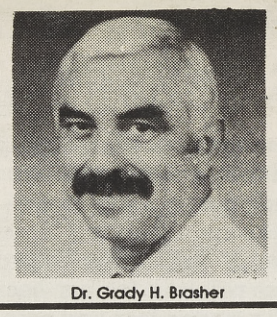

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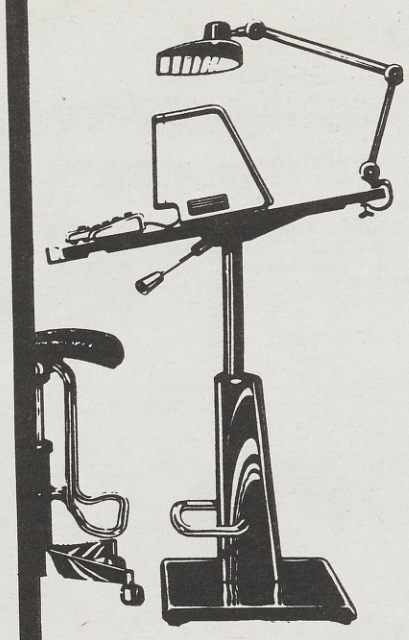

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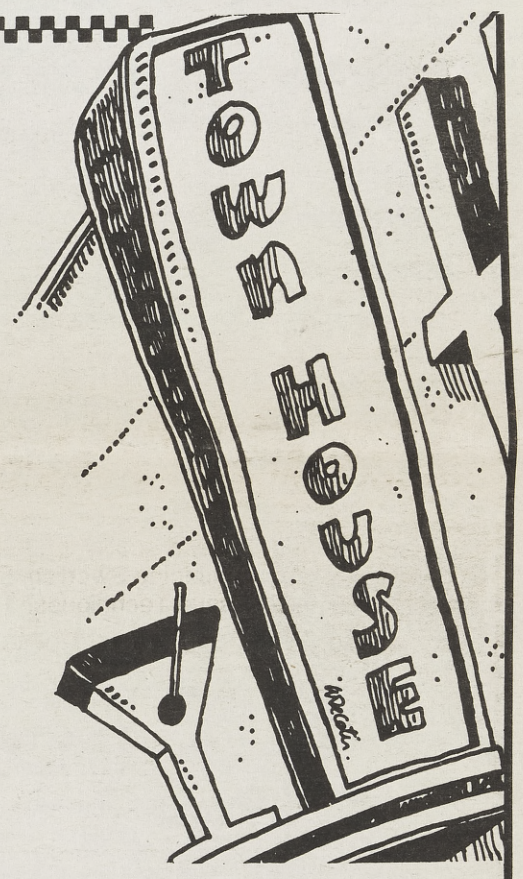

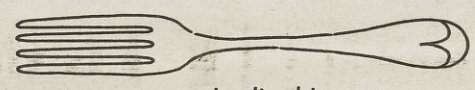

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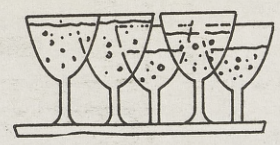

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28 - Monday

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP Making Changes . 5:30 pm. Lambda Center, 19th & 20th, 442-0185.

29 - Tuesday

HEART TO HEART HIV+ Support group for Gay/Bi males. 6:30 - 8 pm. SAF, 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

LEO BUSCAGLIA A benefit for KVIE Channel 6. $10 - $35. 7:30 pm. 923-BASS.

BEING GAY TODAY Lesbian and gay TV program, Cable 18, 10 pm.

30 - Wednesday

TOWN HOUSE HOLIDAY COMPLIMENTARY BUFFET, 7-9pm, 1517 21st St., 441-5122.

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, community welcome. 1 pm, B222 Sac. City College.

OUT RADIO for lesbians and gays. 10 - 11 pm, KCBL 88.7 F.M.

31 - Thursday

TOWN HOUSE NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION, Complimentary champagne, party favors at midnight; 1517 21st St., 441-5122.

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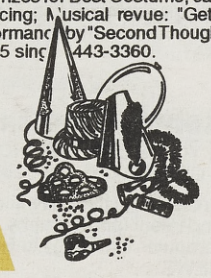

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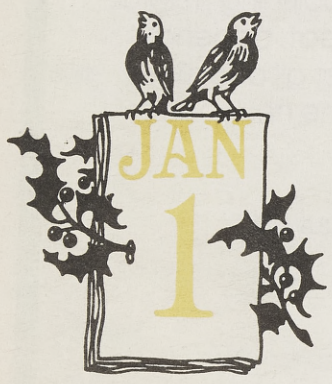

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YOUTH SOCIAL, 6 - 11 pm. Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 42-0185.

3 - Sunday

ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD, support group for Asian Lesbians/Bisexuals and women exploring their sexuality. 4pm, Lorrie 758-0195, Kahi 756-0277.

4 - Monday

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 5:30 pm. Lambda Center, 19th & 20th, 442-0185.

***WOMEN'S RAP GROUP** 7:15 Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.*

WORRIED WELL Group for Seronegative People in a seropositve world. 6:30 - 7:30. SAF 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

5 - Tuesday

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING With Joan Guertin. 6:30 6241-2 Fair Oaks Blvd, Hillside Shopping Center. Reservations, 485-2201.

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8 - Friday

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12 - Tuesday

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CoDEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS, 12-step for gays & lesbians, 7pm, SMUD Building, corner of Elkhorn/Don Julio.

Romanovsky & Phillips return

The gay music and comedy duet Romanovsky & Phillips will perform at a special concert in Sacramento Friday, January 8, 8pm, at the 24th Street Theater. The concert is a fundraiser for the Sacramento Arts and Games Association, or SAGA IV, the group organizing teams to participate in the Gay Games in New York in 1994. Also appearing will be Open Road, Sacramento's own gay country and western band. Tickets are $15 in advance, $17 at the door, and are available at The Gifted Gardener, 2122 J St., or at Lioness books, 2224 J St. Information: 731-5648.▼

▼GALLERIES▼

ARC Art Gallery 4700 College Oak Dr. 484-8433.

Archival Framing Gallery, Narrative Quilts by Linda Delgado, Jan. 5-Jan. 29. Reception Jan. 9, 7-9pm. 1729 L St., 444-9624.

Crocker Art Museum, 3rd & O St., 264-5423. "Clearly Art: Pilchuck's Glass Legacy" in the Herald Gallery. Thru Jan 3. "Table Manners" Thru Jan 17, "Fables and Fantasies" thru Jan 10, "Sac High Art" Jan 13 - Mar 8, "Tesoros de la Tierra" Jan 21 - Mar 7, "En el Ojo de Ollin" Jan 22 - Apr 4.

IDEA Gallery "Bout Bicycles," Jan 9 - 30. Reception Jan. 9, 5:30pm. 3414 4th Ave 452-0949

John Natsoulas Gallery, 140 F St., Davis, 756-3938.

Joyce Abreu Gallery, 3712 Auburn Blvd., 488-1211. Alan Hunt, Diane Anderson, Yamin Young, thru Dec. 31.

Kondos Art Gallery, SCC,12th Ave & Freeport, 451-8815.

La Raza Galeria Posada, 704 O St., 446-5133.

Lite Rail Gallery, 922 12th St, 441-1013.

Matrix Gallery, 1725 I St., 441-4818.

Michael Himovitz Gallery, 1020 10th, 448-8723.

Muffins Etc. 1404 28th St. 452-1829.

Richard L. Nelson Gallery, UCD, 752-8500.

SAC Valley Photographic Art Center, "Pictures of the Year Exhibit. Journalism's best from the University of Missouri. Thru Jan 11. 702 57th St.

The Shenandoah Gallery, Anthony Montanino, paintings, Christian Wieser, sculpture. Thru Jan 30. 12300 Steiner Rd., Plymouth, 209-245-4455.

University Union Exhibit Lounge, CSUS 6000 J St., 278-7250, 278-6595.

▼THEATRE▼

CALL FOR TIMES, COSTS, ETC.

ARC Theatre Arts , 4700 College Oak DR. 484-8234. "Rosencrantz & Guilderstern." Feb 26 - Mar 6; "You Can't Take It With You," Apr 23 - May 1.

Crest Theatre 1013 K St.

Davis Comic Opera Company. Veteran's Memorial Theatre, 14th & B Sts, Davis.

Lambda Players Torch Song Trilogy" Jan. 8 - 30, YWCA Theatre, 1122 17th St., 442-7752,

Music Circus Broadway Series, "Les Miserables," Community Convention Center Theater, 14th & L Sts.; 264-5181.

The Sacramento Ballet "Carmina Burana" Feb. 11 - 14, "Cinderella" Apr 8 - 11.

SAC City Actors Theater, 3835 Freeport, 558-2228. "Macbeth" Jan 8 - 30

Sacramento Theater Co., 1419 H St., 443-6722.

The Show Below, 22nd & L St., 446-2787.

Studio Theate 127-a Bank St, Grass Valley 273-2730. .

Theater Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079. "Crying Holy" Jan 16 - Feb 20. "Jumping the Broom" Feb 11-28. "Living on Salvation Street" Mar 27 - May 1. "Coconut" Jun 3-26.

Tribad Productions, Five Corners Theatre, Petaluma 707-545-9806.

University Theatre, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-6368. "Boys From Syracuse" Mar. 5 -21. "Waiting For Godot" Mar 25 - Apr 3, "Metropolis" Apr 23 - May 9, "Mighty Gents" May 6 - 16,

HEART TO HEART HIV+ Support group for Gay/Bi males. 6:30 - 8 pm. SAF, 920 20th St. Jerry 448-2437.

BEING GAY TODAY Lesbian and gay TV program, Cable 18, 10 pm.

13 - Wednesday

MEN OF ALL COLORS RAP SESSION, 7pm, Lambda Center. Greg 441-7736.

THE MEN'S SESSION Meeting erotic needs safely. 7 - 9 pm. SAF, 920 20th St. 448-2437.

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, community welcome. 1 pm, B222 Sac. City College.

OUT RADIO for lesbians and gays. 10 - 11 pm, KCBL 88.7 F.M.

14 - Thursday

GLSA SAC CITY Meeting, community welcome. 7 pm, A20 Sac. City College.

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP. 6 - 7 pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

BEING GAY TODAY Lesbian and gay TV program, Cable 18, 9 pm.

BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM 2 - 5 pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

ARTIST'S LECTURE "Tesoros de la Tierra," $4-$6. Crocker Art Musem, 216 O St. 264-5423.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING With Joan Guertin. 6:30 Curtis Park Reservations, 485-2201.

15 - Friday

YOUTH GROUP 5:45 pm, Lambda Center, 19th & L, 442-0185.

YOUTH AA 8 pm, Lambda Center, 19th & L, .442-0185.

CAFE LAMBDA 8 pm to midnight. Lambda Center, 19th & L, 442-0185.

16 - Saturday

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CULTURAL WEEKEND, multi-cultural exhibits, health fair, job fair. 10am-4pm; Community Convention Center, 13th & J Sts.; 456-3836.

RUNNING GROUP for Gay men and lesbians, all levels welcome. 387-8275 or 444-2835.

YOUTH SOCIAL 6 - 11 pm.Lambda Center, 1931 L St 442-0185.

CHILDREN'S THEATRE Co. of Minneapolis. UCD Presents. 757-3199.

17 - Sunday

ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD, support group for Asian Lesbians/Bisexuals and women exploring their sexuality. 4pm, Lorrie 758-0195, Kahi 756-0277.

Linda Tillery in concert

Linda Tillery will perform with her quartet Saturday, January 9, 8pm, at the 24th Street Theater. This will be her first appearance in Sacramento since the 1991 Snow White Ball, and her first concert here. The concert will be a benefit for the Sacramento Arts and Games Association, or SAGA IV, the group organizing teams for the Gay Games in New York in 1994. Opening the concert will be Berkeley comedian Karla Carmony, who includes in her act a routine called 'The $69,000 Pyramid.' Tickets are $15 in advance, $17 at the door, and are available at The Gifted Gardener, 2122 J St., or Lioness Books, 2224 J St. Information: 731-5648.▼

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April 23-26, from 769

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August 6-14, $1295

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